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## REPORT

on the Commission communication to the European Parliament and the Council on the effects of the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty on legislative procedures in progress as at 1 May 1999 in the sphere of women's rights and equal opportunities (SEC(99)0581 - C4-0219/99)

### **Confirmation of first readings**

COM(87)0494 – C2-0226/87 – 87/0849(COD) – former 87/0849(CNS)  
COM(96)0093 – C4-0317/96 – 96/0095(COD) – former 96/0093(CNS),  
96/0095(CNS)

Committee on Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities

Rapporteur: Maj Britt Theorin

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The Commission proposals specified on the cover have been placed on the list of proposals pending at 1 May 1999 (C4-0219/99) for which entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam entails a change of legal basis and/or procedure, in this case the procedure set out in Article 251 of the EC Treaty (codecision procedure). By letter of 3 May 1999 the Commission confirmed its initial proposals and submitted them to Parliament.

At the sitting of 3 May 1999 the President of Parliament referred to the Committee on Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities, as the committee responsible, the proposals falling within its terms of reference pending before the Council at 1 May 1999.

The Committee on Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities considered the draft report at its meeting of 1-2 September 1999.

At that meeting it adopted the draft legislative resolution unanimously.

The following were present for the vote: Theorin, chairman and rapporteur; Eriksson, vice-chairman; Aviles Perea, Gröner, Izquierdo Rojo (for Rodriguez Ramos), Karamanou, Klab, Kratsa, Sörensen, and Valenciano Martínez-Orozco.

The report was tabled on 8 September 1999.

## DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

**Commission communication to the European Parliament and the Council on the effects of the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty on legislative procedures in progress as at 1 May 1999 in the sphere of women's rights and equal opportunities (SEC(99)0581 - C4-0219/99)**

**(Codecision procedure: confirmation of first readings)**

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the list of Commission proposals pending at 1 May 1999 for which entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam entails a change of legal basis and/or procedure<sup>1</sup>,
  - having regard to its resolution of 4 May 1999 on the implications of the entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam (list of legislative proposals pending as at 1 May 1999, indicating new legal bases and any changes in legislative procedure following the entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam)<sup>2</sup>,
  - having regard to Article 251(2) of the EC Treaty,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities (A5-0007/99),
- 1.(a) Decides, for the purposes of its first reading under the codecision procedure, not to confirm the text adopted on 16 September 1988 on the proposal for a Council Directive completing the implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women in statutory and occupational social security schemes (COM(87)0494 – C2-0226/87 – 87/0849(COD) – former 87/0849(CNS))<sup>3</sup>; and
    - (b) Calls on the Commission to submit a revised proposal for a Directive to Parliament, taking into account the political commitments into which the Commission has entered and developments in the areas concerned;
  2. Confirms that its first reading under the codecision procedure is embodied in:

the text adopted on 9 March 1999 on the proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 76/207/EEC on the implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women as regards access to employment, vocational training and promotion, and working conditions (COM(96)0093 – C4-0317/96 – 96/0095(CNS))<sup>4</sup>;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this legislative resolution to the Council and Commission.

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<sup>1</sup> SEC(99)0581 – C4-0219/99.

<sup>2</sup> See Minutes of that date, Part II, Item 7.

<sup>3</sup> OJ C 262, 10.10.1988, p. 174.

<sup>4</sup> OJ C 175, 21.6.1999, p. 67.