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REPORT

on current legislative procedures pending as of 1 May 1999 in the area of industry, external trade, research and energy (Commission communication to the European Parliament and the Council – Effects of the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty (SEC(1999) 581 - C4-0219/1999))

Confirmation of first readings

(COM(1995) 369 - C4-0030/1996 - 1995/0208(COD) - formerly 1995/0208(SYN))

Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy

Rapporteur: Mr Westendorp y Cabeza

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PROCEDURAL PAGE

The Commission proposal referred to on the title page has been added to the list of proposals, pending as at 1 May 1999 (C4-0134/1999 and C4-0219/1999), for which the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty involves a change in legal basis and/or a change in procedure, in the present case, the procedure referred to 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 the proposals, pending before the Council as at 1 May 1999, which came within its competence, to the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy, as the committee responsible.

The Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy considered the draft report at its meetings of 31 August/1 September 1999 and 22 September 1999.

At the latter meeting it adopted the draft legislative resolution by 25 votes to 21 with 2 abstentions.

The following were present for the vote: Westendorp Y Cabeza, chairman; Ahern and Mombaur, vice-chairmen; Alyssandrakis, Ayuso González (for Bodrato), Beysen (for Clegg), Baltas, Butel, Chichester, De Clercq, Désir, Evans Jonathan (for Karoutchi), Ferrer, Flesch, Folias, Ford, Foster (for Mr Lamassoure pursuant to Article 153(2) of the Rules of Procedure), Gallagher, Gill (for Carraro), Glante, Hansenne, Harbour, Kuhne (for Caudron), Langen, Linkohr, Lucas, Martin H.P. (for Desama), McAvan, McNally, E. Mann, Montfort, Murphy, Paasilinna, Piétransanta, Plooij-van Gorsel, Pohjamo (for Thors), Purvis, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Radwan (for van Velzen), Raschhofer, Read, Rothe, Rovsing, Rübige, Schnellhardt (for Mrs Matikainen-Kallström), I. Schröder, Turmes (for Maes), Valdivielso De Cué, Vidal-Quadras Roca (for Scapagnini), Zimeray

The report was tabled on 24 September 1999.

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Resolution of the European Parliament on current legislative procedures in the area of industry, external trade, research and energy (Commission communication to the European Parliament and the Council – Effects of the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty (SEC(1999) 581 – C4-0219/1999))

(Codecision procedure: confirmation of first readings)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the list of Commission proposals pending as at 1 May 1999 for which the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty involves a change in legal basis and/or procedure,⁽¹⁾ SEC(1999) 581 - C4-0219/1999
- having regard to its resolution of 4 May 1999⁽²⁾ on the implications of the entry into force of the Amsterdam Treaty (list of legislative proposals pending before the Council 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),
- having regard to Article 251(2) of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy (A5-0008/1999/REV.),

1. Confirms as its first reading under the codecision procedure, the text adopted:

on 12 November 1996 on the proposal for a Council Directive to introduce rational planning techniques in the electricity and gas distribution sectors⁽³⁾
(COM(1995) 369 - C4-0030/1996 - 1995/0208(COD) - formerly 1995/0208(SYN))

2. Instructs its President to forward this legislative resolution to the Council and Commission.

(1) See minutes of that date, part II, item 7

(2) OJ C 362, 2.12.1996, p. 10

(3) OJ C 362, 2.12.1996, p.10