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RECOMMENDATION

on the proposal for a Council decision on the position of the European Community on the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of uniform provisions concerning the approval of

- I. Specific LPG retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of LPG in their propulsion system
- II. Specific CNG retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of CNG in their propulsion system (COM(2002) 567 C5-0546/2002 2002/0248(AVC))

Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy

Rapporteur: Carlos Westendorp y Cabeza

(Simplified procedure - Rule 158(1) of the Rules of Procedure)

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Symbols for procedures

- * Consultation procedure majority of the votes cast
- **I Cooperation procedure (first reading)

 majority of the votes cast
- **II Cooperation procedure (second reading)
 majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
 majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend
 the common position
- *** Assent procedure

 majority of Parliament's component Members except in cases

 covered by Articles 105, 107, 161 and 300 of the EC Treaty and

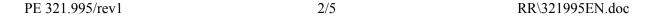
 Article 7 of the EU Treaty
- ***I Codecision procedure (first reading)

 majority of the votes cast
- ***II Codecision procedure (second reading)

 majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position

 majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend
 the common position
- ***III Codecision procedure (third reading)
 majority of the votes cast, to approve the joint text

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the Commission)



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PROCEDURAL PAGE

By letter of 19 November 2002 the Council requested Parliament's assent pursuant to Article 300(3), second subparagraph of the EC Treaty on the proposal for a Council decision on the position of the European Community on the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of uniform provisions concerning the approval of

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(COM(2002) 567 - 2002/0248(AVC)).

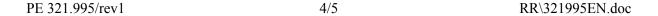
At the sitting of 21 November 2002 the President of Parliament announced that he had referred the proposal to the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy as the committee responsible and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy and to the Committee on Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism for their opinions (C5-0546/2002).

At its meeting of 19 March 2003, the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy decided, on a proposal from the chairman, to apply the simplified procedure under Rule 158(1), and the chairman was thus appointed rapporteur.

The following were present for the decision on the chairman's proposal: Peter Michael Mombaur, vice-chairman; Yves Piétrasanta, vice-chairman; Gordon J. Adam (for Olga Zrihen Zaari), Konstantinos Alyssandrakis, Sir Robert Atkins, Luis Berenguer Fuster, Guido Bodrato, Gérard Caudron, Giles Bryan Chichester, Nicholas Clegg, Dorette Corbey (for Harlem Désir), Marie-Hélène Descamps (for Konrad K. Schwaiger), Concepció Ferrer, Francesco Fiori (for Paul Rübig), Colette Flesch, Christos Folias (for Dominique Vlasto), Alfred Gomolka (for Umberto Scapagnini), Michel Hansenne, Malcolm Harbour (for W.G. van Velzen), Roger Helmer (for Angelika Niebler), Hans Karlsson, Dimitrios Koulourianos (for Fausto Bertinotti), Bernd Lange (for Gary Titley), Werner Langen, Peter Liese (for Bashir Khanbhai), Rolf Linkohr, Eryl Margaret McNally, Erika Mann, Hans-Peter Martin (for Mechtild Rothe), Marjo Matikainen-Kallström, Bill Newton Dunn (for Willy C.E.H. De Clercq), Angelika Niebler, Paolo Pastorelli, Elly Plooij-van Gorsel, John Purvis, Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Imelda Mary Read, Christian Foldberg Rovsing, Gilles Savary (for Reino Paasilinna), Esko Olavi Seppänen, Claude Turmes, Myrsini Zorba.

On 27 November 2002 the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy decided not to give an opinion, and on 21 January 2003 the Committee on Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism decided not to give an opinion.

The recommendation was tabled on 1 April 2003.





DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

European Parliament legislative resolution on the proposal for a Council decision on the position of the European Community on the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of uniform provisions concerning the approval of

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(COM(2002) 567 – C5-0546/2002 – 2002/0248(AVC) (Assent procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal for a Council Decision (COM(2002) 5671),
- having regard to the Council Decision 97/836/EC of 27 November 1997,²
- having regard to the Council's request for Parliament's assent pursuant to Article 300(3), second subparagraph of the EC Treaty (C5-0546/2002),
- having regard to Rules 86, 97(7) and 158(1) of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy (A5-0110/2003/rev1),
- 1. Gives its assent to the proposed decision;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

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¹ OJ C C 71E, 25.3.2003, p. 3.

² OJ 346 L, 16.12.1997, p. 78.