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on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement on scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Tunisian Republic

(COM(2003) 549 - C5-0469/2003 - 2003/0213(CNS))

Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy

Rapporteur: Luis Berenguer Fuster

(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)

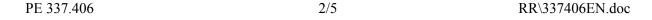
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- ***II Codecision procedure (second reading)
 majority of the votes cast, to approve the common position
 majority of Parliament's component Members, to reject or amend
 the common position
- ***III Codecision procedure (third reading)

 majority of the votes cast, to approve the joint text

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

Amendments to a legislative text

In amendments by Parliament, amended text is highlighted in *bold italics*. Highlighting in *normal italics* is an indication for the relevant departments showing parts of the legislative text for which a correction is proposed, to assist preparation of the final text (for instance, obvious errors or omissions in a given language version). These suggested corrections are subject to the agreement of the departments concerned.



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PROCEDURAL PAGE

By letter of 10 October 2003 the Council consulted Parliament, pursuant to Article 300(3), first subparagraph of the EC Treaty, on the proposal for a Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement on scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Tunisian Republic (COM(2003) 549 – 2003/0213(CNS)).

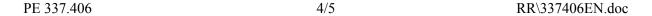
At the sitting of 20 October 2003 the President of Parliament announced that he had referred the proposal to the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy as the committee responsible and the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security and Defence Policy and the Committee on Budgets for their opinions (C5-0469/2003).

At its meeting of 3 November 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 and Jaime Valdivielso de Cué, vice-chairmen; Gordon J. Adam (for Reino Paasilinna), Nuala Ahern, Bastiaan Belder (for Yves Butel), Ward Beysen, David Robert Bowe (for Ana Miranda de Lage), Hiltrud Breyer (for Caroline Lucas), Marco Cappato, Gérard Caudron, Giles Bryan Chichester, Nicholas Clegg, Francesco Fiori (for Guido Bodrato), Marialiese Flemming (for Umberto Scapagnini pursuant to Rule 166(3), Christos Folias (for Concepció Ferrer), Neena Gill, Norbert Glante, Michel Hansenne, Malcolm Harbour (for Sir Robert Atkins), Hans Karlsson, Dimitrios Koulourianos (for Konstantinos Alyssandrakis), Bernd Lange (for Harlem Désir), Peter Liese (for Bashir Khanbhai), Rolf Linkohr, Eryl Margaret McNally, Erika Mann, Hans-Peter Martin (for Massimo Carraro), Marjo Matikainen-Kallström, Elizabeth Montfort, Paolo Pastorelli, Elly Plooij-van Gorsel, John Purvis, Imelda Mary Read, Mechtild Rothe, Christian Foldberg Rovsing, Paul Rübig, Esko Olavi Seppänen, Claude Turmes, W.G. van Velzen and Alejo Vidal-Quadras Roca.

The Committee on Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security and Defence Policy decided on 4 November 2003 not to deliver and opinion. The Committee on Budgets decided on 4 November 2003 not to deliver and opinion.

The report was tabled on 14 November 2003.



DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

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(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal for a Council decision (COM(2003) 549)¹,
- having regard to Articles 170 and 300(2), first subparagraph of the EC Treaty,
- having regard to Article 300(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Council consulted Parliament (C5-0469/2003),
- having regard to Rules 67, 97(7) and 158(1) of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy (A5-0404/2003),
- 1. Approves conclusion of the agreement;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and the Tunisian Republic.

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¹ Not yet published in OJ.