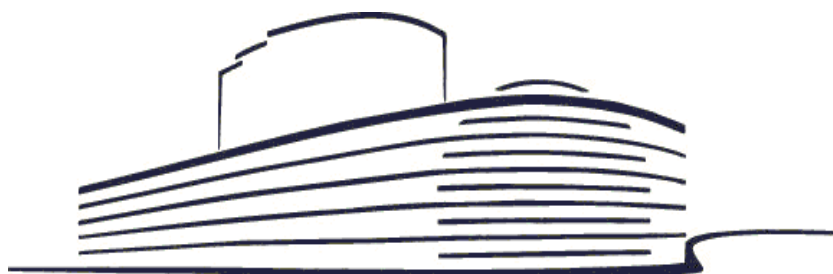


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** I	Cooperation procedure: first reading
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***I	Codcision procedure: first reading
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(The type of procedure is determined by the legal basis proposed by the Commission)

INFORMATION RELATING TO VOTING TIME

Unless stated otherwise, the rapporteurs informed the Chair in writing, before the vote, of their position on the amendments.

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

AFET	Committee on Foreign Affairs
DEVE	Committee on Development
INTA	Committee on International Trade
BUDG	Committee on Budgets
CONT	Committee on Budgetary Control
ECON	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
EMPL	Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
ENVI	Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety
ITRE	Committee on Industry, Research and Energy
IMCO	Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection
TRAN	Committee on Transport and Tourism
REGI	Committee on Regional Development
AGRI	Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
PECH	Committee on Fisheries
CULT	Committee on Culture and Education
JURI	Committee on Legal Affairs
LIBE	Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
AFCO	Committee on Constitutional Affairs
FEMM	Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality
PETI	Committee on Petitions

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR POLITICAL GROUPS

PPE-DE	Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats
PSE	Socialist Group in the European Parliament
ALDE	Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
Vers/ALE	Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance
GUE/NGL	Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left
IND/DEM	Independence and Democracy Group
UEN	Union for Europe of the Nations Group
NI	Non-attached Members

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MINUTES

IN THE CHAIR: Josep BORRELL FONTELLES
President

1. Opening of sitting

The sitting opened at 9.05.

2. Membership of political groups

Paweł Bartłomiej Piskorski had joined the ALDE Group with effect from 23.10.2006.

3. Peace process in Spain (debate)

Council and Commission statements: Peace process in Spain

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) and Franco Frattini (Vice-President of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, Graham Watson, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Monica Frassoni, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Francis Wurtz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Brian Crowley, on behalf of the UEN Group, Jens-Peter Bonde, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, and James Hugh Allister, Non-attached Member.

Motions for resolutions to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 103(2):

- Françoise Grossetête, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on the peace process in Spain (B6-0526/2006)

- Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, Graham Watson, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Monica Frassoni and Daniel Cohn-Bendit, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, and Francis Wurtz, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the peace process in Spain (B6-0527/2006)

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 25.10.2006, Item 6.1.*

4. Results of the informal summit of heads of state and government (Lahti, 20 October 2006) (debate)

European Council report and Commission statement: Results of the informal summit of heads of state and government (Lahti, 20 October 2006)

Matti Vanhanen (President-in-Office of the Council) introduced the European Council report.

José Manuel Barroso (President of the Commission) made the statement.

The following spoke: Ville Itälä, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, Graham Watson, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Monica Frassoni, on behalf of the

Verts/ALE Group, and Esko Seppänen, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group.

IN THE CHAIR: Jacek Emil SARYUSZ-WOLSKI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Brian Crowley, on behalf of the UEN Group, Godfrey Bloom, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Ryszard Czarnecki, Non-attached Member, Camiel Eurlings, Hannes Swoboda, Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Claude Turmes, Ilda Figueiredo, Mirosław Mariusz Piotrowski and Mario Borghezio.

IN THE CHAIR: Pierre MOSCOVICI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Timothy Kirkhope, Robert Goebbels, Lena Ek, Milan Horáček, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides, Inese Vaidere, Georgios Karatzaferis, Philip Claeys, Margie Sudre, Riitta Myller, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Georgios Toussas, Guntars Krasts, Francisco José Millán Mon, Martine Roure, Henrik Lax, Herbert Reul, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, Šarūnas Birutis, Jacek Protasiewicz, Stavros Lambrinidis, Alexander Lambsdorff, Piia-Noora Kauppi, Nicola Zingaretti, Nikolaos Vakalis, Andres Tarand, Josef Zieleniec, Bernard Poignant, Rihards Pīks, Matti Vanhanen and José Manuel Barroso.

The debate closed.

(The sitting was suspended at 12.00 pending the formal sitting, and was resumed at 12.05.)

IN THE CHAIR: Josep BORRELL FONTELLES
President

5. Formal sitting - Hungary

From 12.05 to 12.25, a formal sitting of Parliament was held on the occasion of the visit by László Sólyom, President of the Republic of Hungary.

6. Voting time

Details of voting (amendments, separate and split votes, etc.) appear in the 'Results of votes' annex to the Minutes.

The following spoke: Gérard Onesta, who asked that voting time should begin at the appointed time, i.e. 12.30, Ignasi Guardans Cambó and Josu Ortuondo Larrea, both in support of Mr Onesta's request, and Véronique De Keyser, on a technical matter.

6.1. Peace process in Spain (vote)

Motions for resolution B6-0526/2006 and B6-0527/2006/rev

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 1)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B6-0526/2006

Rejected

The following spoke:

- Cristiana Muscardini, who announced that the latest version of motion for a resolution B6-0527/2006/rev. was not available in all languages and that, pursuant to Rules 136 and 138, the text could not therefore be put to the vote (the President replied that all language versions were available, and that the vote could therefore take place);
- Mirosław Mariusz Piotrowski, who pointed out that during the vote on motion for a resolution B6-0526/2006, according to the voting list, amendment 1 should have been put to the vote by a show of hands, rather than moving directly to an electronic vote, and then having a roll-call vote on the resolution as a whole;
- Alejo Vidal-Quadras, who supported Mirosław Mariusz Piotrowski's remarks, and thought, firstly, that some Members may have been misled by the way in which the vote had been conducted, and secondly that the latest version of the text of motion for a resolution B6-0527/2006/rev. contained substantial changes and that the procedure that had been followed did not comply with the Rules (the President replied that the vote on amendment 1 had not been a roll-call vote but an electronic check and that he, the President, was responsible for applying the Rules);
- Martin Schulz, on behalf of the PSE Group, who thought that the Rules had indeed been complied with and called on the President to press ahead and put motion for a resolution B6-0527/2006/rev. to the vote;
- Avril Doyle, who drew attention to the potential conflict of interest involved in the President of Parliament chairing that particular vote;
- Ignasi Guardans Cambó, who pointed out that the PSE Group was not the only signatory to motion for a resolution B6-0527/2006/rev., which in effect was a joint motion;
- Kathy Sinnott, who pointed out that as a result of the way in which the vote had been conducted she had not voted as she had intended to;
- Bogdan Pęk, who requested that motion for a resolution B6-0526/2006 be put to the vote again;
- Daniel Cohn-Bendit, who objected strongly to Avril Doyle's comments and called on the chairman of the PPE-DE Group to give his thoughts on the matter;
- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, who supported Alejo Vidal-Quadras' remarks and reminded the House of the provisions of Rule 159(1) and (2);
- Hans-Gert Poettering, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, who emphasised that the President's integrity was not in doubt at all, although there had been some confusion at the beginning of the vote; he therefore called on the President to hold the vote again.

The President said that he would consult the relevant bodies immediately and then take a decision in accordance with Rule 166(4).

Having consulted the relevant bodies, the President took the following decision:

- the latest version of motion for a resolution B6-0527/2006/rev. was available in all languages and was therefore admissible and would be put to the vote;
- as the vote on motion for a resolution B6-0526/2006 may have led to mistakes by some Members, the vote would be taken again. It would annul and replace the previous vote.

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B6-0526/2006

Rejected

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION B6-0527/2006/rev

Adopted (*P6_TA(2006)0439*)

The following spoke: Cristiana Muscardini and Monica Frassoni, both on the conduct of the previous vote.

6.2. European order for payment procedure *II (vote)**

Recommendation on the Council common position for adopting a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council creating a European order for payment procedure [07535/3/2006 - C6-0227/2006 - 2004/0055(COD)] - Committee on Legal Affairs. Rapporteur: Arlene McCarthy (A6-0316/2006)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 2)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) spoke to give the Council's position.

Declared approved as amended (P6_TA(2006)0440)

The following spoke before the vote:

- Arlene McCarthy (rapporteur), who suggested that the House vote on amendment 4 first.

6.3. "Youth in Action" programme (2007-2013) *II (vote)**

Recommendation on the Council common position for adopting a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council creating the 'Youth in Action' Programme for the period 2007-2013 [06236/3/2006 - C6-0273/2006 - 2004/0152(COD)] - Committee on Culture and Education. Rapporteur: Lissy Gröner (A6-0341/2006)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 3)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL

Declared approved (P6_TA(2006)0441)

6.4. Action programme in the field of lifelong learning *II (vote)**

Recommendation for second reading on the Council common position for adopting a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an action programme in the field of lifelong learning [06237/3/2006 - C6-0274/2006 - 2004/0153(COD)] - Committee on Culture and Education. Rapporteur: Doris Pack (A6-0344/2006)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 4)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL

Declared approved (P6_TA(2006)0442)

6.5. 'Europe for Citizens' programme (2007-2013) *II (vote)**

Recommendation for second reading on the Council common position for adopting a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing for the period 2007-2013 the programme 'Europe for Citizens' to promote active European citizenship [09575/1/2006 - C6-0316/2006 - 2005/0041(COD)] - Committee on Culture and Education. Rapporteur: Hannu Takkula (A6-0342/2006)

(Qualified majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 5)

COMMON POSITION OF THE COUNCIL

Declared approved as amended (P6_TA(2006)0443)

6.6. Restrictions on the marketing and use of perfluorooctane sulfonates *I (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to restrictions on the marketing and use of perfluorooctane sulfonates (amendment of Council Directive 76/769/EEC) [COM(2005)0618 - C6-0418/2005 - 2005/0244(COD)] - Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety. Rapporteur: Carl Schlyter (A6-0251/2006)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 6)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Approved as amended (P6_TA(2006)0444)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0444)

6.7. Establishment, operation and use of SIS II (regulation) *I (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment, operation and use of the second generation Schengen information system [COM(2005)0236 - C6-0174/2005 - 2005/0106(COD)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Carlos Coelho (A6-0355/2006)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 7)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) spoke to give the Council's position.

Approved (P6_TA(2006)0445)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0445)

6.8. Access to SIS II by the services responsible for issuing vehicle registration certificates *I (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding access to the Second Generation Schengen Information System (SIS II) by the services in the Member States responsible for issuing registration certificates for vehicles [COM(2005)0237 - C6-0175/2005 - 2005/0104(COD)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs.

Rapporteur: Carlos Coelho (A6-0354/2006)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 8)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Approved (P6_TA(2006)0446)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0446)

The following spoke before the vote:

- Carlos Coelho (rapporteur).

6.9. Establishment, operation and use of SIS II (decision) * (vote)

Report on the proposal for a Council decision on the establishment, operation and use of the second generation Schengen information system (SIS II) [COM(2005)0230 - C6-0301/2005 - 2005/0103 (CNS)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Carlos Coelho (A6-0353/2006)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 9)

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Approved (P6_TA(2006)0447)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0447)

6.10. Relations between the European Union and Russia following the assassination of journalist Anna Politkovskaya (vote)

Motions for resolution B6-0531/2006, B6-0532/2006, B6-0533/2006, B6-0534/2006, B6-0535/2006 and B6-0536/2006

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 10)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION RC-B6-0531/2006

(replacing B6-0531/2006, B6-0532/2006, B6-0533/2006, B6-0534/2006, B6-0535/2006 and B6-0536/2006):

tabled by the following Members:

José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Charles Tannock, Camiel Eurlings and Tunne Kelam, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group,

Jan Marinus Wiersma and Hannes Swoboda, on behalf of the PSE Group,

Marielle De Sarnez and Margarita Starkevičiūtė, on behalf of the ALDE Group,

Daniel Cohn-Bendit, Hélène Flautre and Bart Staes, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group,

Vittorio Agnoletto, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group,

Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka, Inese Vaidere, Guntars Krasts, Konrad Szymański, Michał Tomasz Kamiński and Adam Jerzy Bielan, on behalf of the UEN Group

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0448)

6.11. Breast cancer (vote)

Motion for a resolution B6-0528/2006

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 11)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0449)

6.12. Third-country anti-dumping, anti-subsidy and safeguard action (vote)

Report on the annual report from the Commission to the European Parliament on third-country anti-dumping, anti-subsidy and safeguard action against the Community (2004) [2006/2136(INI)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Cristiana Muscardini (A6-0243/2006)

(Simple majority)

(Voting record: 'Results of votes', Item 12)

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P6_TA(2006)0450)

The following spoke before the vote:

- Cristiana Muscardini (rapporteur).

7. Explanations of vote

Written explanations of vote:

Explanations of vote submitted in writing under Rule 163(3) appear in the *Verbatim Report of Proceedings* for the sitting.

Oral explanations of vote:

Peace process in Spain - B6-0526/2006, B6-0527/2006: Bernat Joan i Marí, Josu Ortuondo Larrea, Gérard Onesta, Raül Romeva i Rueda, Pál Schmitt, Alexander Lambsdorff, Frank Vanhecke, Koenraad Dillen, Jean-Louis Bourlanges, who made a personal statement in response to Mr Dillen's remarks, Koenraad Dillen, who responded, Jean-Louis Bourlanges, Rosa Díez González

Report: Hannu Takkula - A6-0342/2006: Philip Claeys

Reports by Carlos Coelho - A6-0353/2006, A6-0354/2006, A6-0355/2006: Oldřich Vlasák, Andreas Mölzer

Report: Cristiana Muscardini - A6-0243/2006: Andreas Mölzer

8. Corrections to votes and voting intentions

Corrections to votes and voting intentions appear on the 'Séance en direct' website under 'Votes'/'Results of votes'/'Roll-call votes'. They are published in hard copy in the 'Result of roll-call votes' annex.

The electronic version on Europarl will be regularly updated for a maximum of two weeks after the day of the vote concerned.

After the two-week deadline has passed, the list of corrections to votes and voting intentions will be finalised so that it can be translated and published in the Official Journal.

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- Motion for a resolution on the peace process in Spain (B6-0526/2006)

Christine De Veyrac had informed the Chair that her voting machine had not worked during the vote on that motion for a resolution.

(The sitting was suspended at 13.40 and resumed at 15.00.)

IN THE CHAIR: Ingo FRIEDRICH
Vice-President

9. Approval of Minutes of previous sitting

Christel Schaldemose had been present but her name was not on the attendance register.

The Minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

10. Welcome

On behalf of Parliament, the President welcomed members of a delegation from the Government of Moldova - led by Igor Dodon, Minister for the Economy and Trade - who had taken their seats in

the distinguished visitors' gallery.

11. Moldova (Transnistria), Georgia (South Ossetia) (debate)

Council and Commission statements: Moldova (Transnistria), Georgia (South Ossetia)

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) and Benita Ferrero-Waldner (Member of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: Laima Liucija Andrikienė, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Jan Marinus Wiersma, on behalf of the PSE Group, Jelko Kacin, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Marie Anne Isler Béguin, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Helmuth Markov, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, on behalf of the UEN Group, Alessandro Battilocchio, Non-attached Member, Vytautas Landsbergis, Hannes Swoboda, Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Elisabeth Schroedter, Konrad Szymański, Bernd Posselt, Marianne Mikko, Tatjana Ždanoka, Inese Vaidere, Tunne Kelam, Zdzisław Zbigniew Podkański, Ryszard Czarnecki, Paula Lehtomäki and Benita Ferrero-Waldner.

IN THE CHAIR: Miroslav OUZKÝ
Vice-President

Motions for resolutions to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 103(2):

Moldova (Transnistria)

- Helmuth Markov, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the referendum on independence in the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova (B6-0539/2006)
- Adam Jerzy Bielan, Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, Zdzisław Zbigniew Podkański, Konrad Szymański and Zbigniew Krzysztof Kuźmiuk, on behalf of the UEN Group, on Transnistria (B6-0540/2006)
- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Charles Tannock, Laima Liucija Andrikienė, Árpád Duka-Zólyomi, Tunne Kelam and Vytautas Landsbergis, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on Moldova (Transnistria) (B6-0541/2006)
- Elisabeth Schroedter, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on Transnistria (B6-0546/2006)
- Jan Marinus Wiersma, Hannes Swoboda and Marianne Mikko, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Transnistria (B6-0551/2006)
- Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Henrik Lax and Ignasi Guardans Cambó, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on Moldova (Transnistria) (B6-0552/2006)

Georgia (South Ossetia)

- Vittorio Agnoletto, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the situation in South Ossetia (B6-0537/2006)
- Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, Konrad Szymański, Adam Jerzy Bielan, Inese Vaidere, Ģirts Valdis Kristovskis, Guntars Krasts, Mogens N.J. Camre, on behalf of the UEN Group, on the situation in South Ossetia (B6-0538/2006)
- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Charles Tannock, Árpád Duka-Zólyomi, Tunne Kelam, Vytautas Landsbergis, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, on South Ossetia, Abkhazia and the crisis between Georgia and Russia (B6-0542/2006)
- Marie Anne Isler Béguin, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the situation in South Ossetia (B6-0547/2006)

- Jan Marinus Wiersma, Hannes Swoboda, on behalf of the PSE Group, on Georgia (B6-0550/2006)
- Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Henrik Lax, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on Georgia (South Ossetia) (B6-0553/2006)

The debate closed.

Vote: *Item 6.6 and Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.7.*

12. Export of toxic waste to Africa - Use of criminal law to protect the environment (debate)

Council and Commission statements: Export of toxic waste to Africa

Oral question (O-0067/2006) by Karl-Heinz Florenz, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Council: Environmental protection: combating crime, criminal offences and penalties (B6-0438/2006)

Oral question (O-0068/2006) by Karl-Heinz Florenz, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: Environmental protection: combating crime, criminal offences and penalties (B6-0439/2006)

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) and Stavros Dimas (Member of the Commission) made the statements.

Karl-Heinz Florenz (author) moved the oral questions.

The following spoke: John Bowis, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Margrietus van den Berg, on behalf of the PSE Group, Danutė Budreikaitė, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Carl Schlyter, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Kartika Tamara Liotard, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Johannes Blokland, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Andreas Mölzer, Non-attached Member, Marie-Arlette Carlotti, Patrick Louis, Dorette Corbey, Karin Scheele, Evangelia Tzampazi, Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Paula Lehtomäki and Stavros Dimas.

Export of toxic waste to Africa

Motions for resolutions to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 103(2):

- Frithjof Schmidt, Margrete Auken, Marie Anne Isler Béguin, Carl Schlyter and Sepp Kusstatscher, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0545/2006)
- Kartika Tamara Liotard, Luisa Morgantini, Dimitrios Papadimoulis, Jacky Henin, Gabriele Zimmer, Umberto Guidoni and Adamos Adamou, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0571/2006)
- Johannes Blokland and Hélène Goudin, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0572/2006)
- Roberta Angelilli, on behalf of the UEN Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0573/2006)
- Jules Maaten, Danutė Budreikaitė and Fiona Hall, on behalf of the ALDE Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0574/2006)
- Miguel Angel Martínez Martínez, Margrietus van den Berg and Dorette Corbey, on behalf of the PSE Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0575/2006)
- John Bowis, Eija-Riitta Korhola, Gay Mitchell and James Nicholson, on behalf of the PPE-DE

Group, on the export of toxic waste to Africa (B6-0576/2006)

Use of criminal law to protect the environment

Motion for a resolution to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 108(5):

- Karl-Heinz Florenz and Ria Oomen-Ruijten, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, on the follow-up to Parliament's opinion on environmental protection: combating crime, criminal offences and penalties (B6-0544/2006)

- Patrick Louis, Jens-Peter Bonde, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, on the action to be taken on the judgment of principle handed down by the Court of Justice of the European Communities on 13 September 2005 (B6-0577/2006).

The debate closed.

Vote: *Item 6.8 and Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.9.*

13. EC-Syria Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement (debate)

Report containing the European Parliament's recommendation to the Council on the conclusion of a Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Syrian Arab Republic, of the other part [2006/2150(INI)] - Committee on Foreign Affairs. Rapporteur: Véronique De Keyser (A6-0334/2006)

Véronique De Keyser introduced the report.

The following spoke: Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) and Benita Ferrero-Waldner (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra and Hannes Swoboda.

IN THE CHAIR: Sylvia-Yvonne KAUFMANN
Vice-President

The following spoke: Hélène Flautre, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Miguel Portas, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Bastiaan Belder, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Paweł Bartłomiej Piskorski, Non-attached Member, Elmar Brok, Pierre Schapira, Gerard Batten, Charles Tannock, Panagiotis Beglitis, Jana Hybášková, Jamila Madeira, Patrick Gaubert, Richard Howitt, Albert Jan Maat, Paula Lehtomäki and Benita Ferrero-Waldner.

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.10.*

14. Question Time (Council)

Parliament considered a number of questions to the Council (B6-0437/2006).

The President reminded the House that Council Question Time would end at 19.00.

Question 1 (Marie Panayotopoulos-Cassiotou): Provision of services and freedom of movement for families with children.

Paula Lehtomäki (President-in-Office of the Council) answered the question and supplementaries by Marie Panayotopoulos-Cassiotou and Jörg Leichtfried.

Question 2 (Manuel Medina Ortega): Reinforcement of FRONTEX.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Manuel Medina Ortega, Hubert Pirker and Sarah Ludford.

Question 3 (Sarah Ludford): Sharing information on convicted paedophiles.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Sarah Ludford, Manuel António dos Santos and James Hugh Allister.

Question 4 lapsed as its author was absent.

Question 5 (Liam Aylward): Aviation sector.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Liam Aylward, Danutė Budreikaitė and Jörg Leichtfried.

Question 6 (Seán Ó Neachtain): The status of the Irish language.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Seán Ó Neachtain and Justas Vincas Paleckis.

Question 7 (Johan Van Hecke): Tightening up of press censorship in China.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and a supplementary by Johan Van Hecke.

Question 8 (Brian Crowley): EU Fundamental Rights Agency.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Brian Crowley and Richard Corbett.

Question 9 (Eoin Ryan): EU- Iranian relations.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and a supplementary by Eoin Ryan.

Question 10 (Sajjad Karim): EU facilitation for trade as a confidence-building measure between India and Pakistan.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Sajjad Karim and Justas Vincas Paleckis.

Question 11 (Jacek Protasiewicz): Labour camps and violation of workers' rights.

Paula Lehtomäki answered the question and supplementaries by Jacek Protasiewicz and Danutė Budreikaitė.

The following spoke: Bernd Posselt, who expressed his disappointment that Question Time had been cut short by 30 minutes and called on the Council to stay until 19.30 (the President replied that a decision on the matter had been taken (*see Minutes of 23.10.2006, Item 13*) and pointed out that she too wished that the time set aside for Question Time would be kept to more often).

Questions which had not been answered for lack of time would receive written answers (*see annex to the Verbatim Report of Proceedings*).

Council Question Time closed.

(The sitting was suspended at 19.05 and resumed at 21.00.)

IN THE CHAIR: Manuel António dos SANTOS
Vice-President

15. Nairobi Conference on Climate Change (debate)

Oral question (O-0100/2006) by Karl-Heinz Florenz, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: Commission's strategy for the Nairobi Conference on Climate Change (COP 12 and COP/MOP 2) (B6-0440/2006)

Stavros Dimas (Member of the Commission) answered the oral question.

The following spoke: Avril Doyle, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Dorette Corbey, on behalf of the PSE Group, Chris Davies, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Satu Hassi, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Johannes Blokland, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Eija-Riitta Korhola, Marios Matsakis and Stavros Dimas.

Motion for a resolution to wind up the debate tabled pursuant to Rule 108(5):

- Karl-Heinz Florenz, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, on the EU strategy for the Nairobi Conference on Climate Change (COP 12 and COP/MOP 2) (B6-0543/2006)

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.11.*

16. Inland waterway transport (debate)

Report on the promotion of inland waterway transport: NAIADES, an integrated European Action Programme for inland waterway transport [2006/2085(INI)] - Committee on Transport and Tourism. Rapporteur: Corien Wortmann-Kool (A6-0299/2006)

Corien Wortmann-Kool introduced the report.

Jacques Barrot (Vice-President of the Commission) spoke.

The following spoke: Etelka Barsi-Pataky, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Inés Ayala Sender, on behalf of the PSE Group, Eva Lichtenberger, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Erik Meijer, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Johannes Blokland, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Stanisław Jałowiecki, Reinhard Rack, Renate Sommer and Jacques Barrot.

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.12.*

17. Public-private partnerships (debate)

Report on public-private partnerships and Community law on public procurement and concessions [2006/2043(INI)] - Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection. Rapporteur: Barbara Weiler (A6-0363/2006)

Barbara Weiler introduced the report.

Jacques Barrot (Vice-President of the Commission) spoke.

Werner Langen (draftsman of the opinion of the ECON Committee) spoke.

IN THE CHAIR: Luigi COCILOVO

The following spoke: Paolo Costa (draftsman of the opinion of the TRAN Committee), Grażyna Staniszevska (draftsman of the opinion of the REGI Committee), Charlotte Cederschiöld, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Gilles Savary, on behalf of the PSE Group, Alexander Lambsdorff, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Heide Rühle, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Zita Pleštinská, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Evelyne Gebhardt, Ieke van den Burg, Donata Gottardi, Bernadette Vergnaud, Jacques Barrot.

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.13.*

18. Posting of workers (debate)

Report on the application of Directive 96/71/EC on the posting of workers [2006/2038(INI)] - Committee on Employment and Social Affairs. Rapporteur: Elisabeth Schroedter (A6-0308/2006)

Elisabeth Schroedter introduced the report.

Vladimír Špidla (Member of the Commission) spoke.

The following spoke: Małgorzata Handzlik (draftsman of the opinion of the IMCO Committee), Raymond Langendries, on behalf of the PPE-DE Group, Anne Van Lancker, on behalf of the PSE Group, Ona Juknevičienė, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Ilda Figueiredo, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Konrad Szymański, on behalf of the UEN Group, Derek Roland Clark, on behalf of the IND/DEM Group, Milan Cabrnoch, Jan Andersson, Marian Harkin, Gabriele Zimmer, Thomas Mann, Ieke van den Burg, Jacek Protasiewicz, Proinsias De Rossa, José Albino Silva Peneda, Françoise Castex, Csaba Öry, Harald Ettl and Vladimír Špidla.

The debate closed.

Vote: *Minutes of 26.10.2006, Item 6.14.*

19. Agenda for next sitting

The agenda for the next sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 378.419/OJJE).

20. Closure of sitting

The sitting closed at 0.10.

Julian Priestley
Secretary-General

Gérard Onesta
Vice-President

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

25.10.2006

The following signed:

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