

MINUTES

of the sitting of

Monday

12 March 2012



KEYS TO SYMBOLS USED

*	Consultation procedure
***	Consent procedure
***I	Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading
***II	Ordinary legislative procedure: second reading
***III	Ordinary legislative procedure: third reading

(The type of procedure is determined by the legal basis proposed in the draft act.)

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
DROI	Subcommittee on Human Rights
SEDE	Subcommittee on Security and Defence

ABBREVIATIONS USED FOR POLITICAL GROUPS

PPE	Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats)
S&D	Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament
ALDE	Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
Verts/ALE	Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance
ECR	European Conservatives and Reformists Group
GUE/NGL	Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left
EFD	Europe of Freedom and Democracy Group
NI	Non-attached Members

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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

2011 - 2012 SESSION

Sitting of 12 March 2012

STRASBOURG

MINUTES

MONDAY 12 MARCH 2012

IN THE CHAIR: Martin SCHULZ
President

1. Resumption of the session

The sitting opened at 17.00.

2. Statements by the President

The President made a statement about the situation in Syria in which he condemned the repression by the Syrian authorities. He called on President Bashar al-Assad to allow humanitarian aid for the civilian population to enter Syria.

On the occasion of the Day on Remembrance of the Victims of Terrorism, he recalled the attack in Madrid on 11 March 2004, and expressed Parliament's solidarity with the families of victims of all terrorist attacks.

He then spoke of the Fukushima disaster that had occurred a year ago.

Parliament observed a minute's silence in commemoration of the victims.

3. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

4. Verification of credentials

At its meeting on 1 March 2012, pursuant to Rule 3(3) and (4), the Committee on Legal Affairs had verified the credentials of Emer Costello, Phil Bennion and Nikos Chrysogelos and had unanimously proposed validating the mandate of Emer Costello with effect from 15 February 2012, the mandate of Phil Bennion with effect from 6 February 2012 and the mandate of Nikos Chrysogelos with effect from 2 February 2012.

5. Composition of political groups

Roger Helmer had joined the EFD Group with effect from 5 March 2012.

6. Composition of committees and delegations

The President had received the following requests for appointments from the PPE, S&D, ALDE, ECR and GUE/NGL Groups:

- Committee on International Trade: Damien Abad to replace Carmen Fraga Estévez
- Committee on Budgets: Zuzana Brzobohatá to replace Vladimír Maňka and Juan Andrés Naranjo Escobar to replace Damien Abad
- Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs: Elena Băsescu to replace Juan Andrés Naranjo Escobar
- Committee on Employment and Social Affairs: Phil Bennion
- Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety: Eija-Riitta Korhola to replace Sirpa Pietikäinen
- Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection: Sirpa Pietikäinen to replace Eija-Riitta Korhola
- Committee on Regional Development: Vladimír Maňka to replace Zuzana Brzobohatá
- Committee on Petitions: Ryszard Antoni Legutko to replace Michał Tomasz Kamiński
- Delegation for relations with the countries of South Asia: Phil Bennion
- Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly: Inês Cristina Zuber and Esther Herranz García
- Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union (including Libya): Eva Ortiz Vilella to replace Salvador Garriga Polledo
- Delegation for relations with India: Eva Ortiz Vilella was no longer a full member
- Delegation for relations with Japan: Eva Ortiz Vilella to replace Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio
- Delegation to the Cariforum-EC Parliamentary Committee: María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora to replace Pablo Zalba Bidegain
- Delegation for relations with the Mercosur countries: Esther Herranz García to replace Pilar Ayuso

The appointments would be deemed ratified if there were no objections before the approval of these minutes.

7. Signature of acts adopted under the ordinary legislative procedure

The President announced that on Wednesday, together with the President of the Council, he would sign the following acts adopted under the ordinary legislative procedure (Rule 74):

- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on short selling and certain aspects of credit default swaps (00068/2011/LEX - C7-0059/2012 - 2010/0251(COD));

- Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 2000/75/EC as regards vaccination against bluetongue (00009/2012/LEX - C7-0062/2012 - 2010/0326(COD));
- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 648/2004 as regards the use of phosphates and other phosphorous compounds in consumer laundry detergents and consumer automatic dishwasher detergents (00067/2011/LEX - C7-0063/2012 - 2010/0298(COD));
- Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a multi-annual radio spectrum policy programme (00010/2012/LEX - C7-0064/2012 - 2010/0252(COD));
- Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 78/660/EEC on the annual accounts of certain types of companies as regards micro-entities (00079/2011/LEX - C7-0065/2012 - 2009/0035(COD));
- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards contractual relations in the milk and milk products sector (00077/2011/LEX - C7-0066/2012 - 2010/0362(COD));
- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009 (00076/2011/LEX - C7-0067/2012 - 2010/0373(COD));
- Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council implementing Article 10 of the United Nations' Protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against transnational organised crime (UN Firearms Protocol), and establishing export authorisation, import and transit measures for firearms, their parts and components and ammunition (00041/2011/LEX - C7-0068/2012 - 2010/0147(COD)).

8. Documents received

The following documents had been received:

1) from committees, reports

- ***Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Iceland and the Kingdom of Norway on the application of certain provisions of the Convention of 29 May 2000 on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Member States of the European Union and the 2001 Protocol thereto (05306/2010 - C7-0030/2010 - 2009/0189(NLE)) - LIBE Committee - Rapporteur: Claude Moraes (A7-0020/2012)
- ***Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the International Cocoa Agreement 2010 (09771/2011 - C7-0206/2011 - 2010/0343(NLE)) - INTA Committee - Rapporteur: Vital Moreira (A7-0024/2012)
- ***I Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 617/2009 opening an autonomous tariff quota for imports of high-quality beef (COM(2011)0384 - C7-0170/2011 - 2011/0169(COD)) - INTA Committee - Rapporteur: Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl (A7-0025/2012)

- Second report on a proposal for a modification of the Act concerning the election of the Members of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage of 20 September 1976 (2009/2134(INI)) - AFCO Committee - Rapporteur: Andrew Duff (A7-0027/2012)
- ***I Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending certain regulations relating to the common commercial policy as regards the procedures for the adoption of certain measures (COM(2011)0082 - C7-0069/2011 - 2011/0039(COD)) - INTA Committee - Rapporteur: Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl (A7-0028/2012)
- Report on women in political decision making - quality and equality (2011/2295(INI)) - FEMM Committee - Rapporteur: Sirpa Pietikäinen (A7-0029/2012)
- Report on a Roadmap for moving to a competitive low carbon economy in 2050 (2011/2095(INI)) - ENVI Committee - Rapporteur: Chris Davies (A7-0033/2012)
- Report on the contribution of the European institutions to the consolidation and progress of the Bologna Process (2011/2180(INI)) - CULT Committee - Rapporteur: Luigi Berlinguer (A7-0035/2012)
- Report on quality management for European statistics (2011/2289(INI)) - ECON Committee - Rapporteur: Edward Scicluna (A7-0037/2012)
- Report on general guidelines for the preparation of 2013 Budget - Section III - Commission (2012/2000(BUD)) - BUDG Committee - Rapporteur: Giovanni La Via (A7-0040/2012)
- Report on equality between women and men in the European Union - 2011 (2011/2244(INI)) - FEMM Committee - Rapporteur: Sophia in 't Veld (A7-0041/2012)
- ***I Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of decisions and authentic instruments in matters of succession and the creation of a European Certificate of Succession (COM(2009)0154 - C7-0236/2009 - 2009/0157(COD)) - JURI Committee - Rapporteur: Kurt Lechner (A7-0045/2012)
- ***I Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approval and market surveillance of two- or three-wheel vehicles and quadricycles (COM(2010)0542 - C7-0317/2010 - 2010/0271(COD)) - IMCO Committee - Rapporteur: Wim van de Camp (A7-0445/2011)

2) from Members

2.1) motions for resolutions (Rule 120)

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on funding for the ‘Social tailoring – Dressing for freedom’ project (B7-0097/2012)

referred to responsible: FEMM

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on the harmonisation of education systems (B7-0098/2012)

referred to responsible: CULT

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on the regulation of ‘smart drugs’ (B7-0099/2012)

referred to responsible: LIBE

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on measures to prevent olive anthracnose (B7-0100/2012)

referred to responsible: AGRI

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on an awareness campaign to combat gambling (B7-0121/2012)

referred to responsible: IMCO

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on measures to prevent the spread of the Asian long-horned beetle (B7-0122/2012)

referred to responsible: AGRI

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on the use of sustainable methods of transporting goods in old town centres (B7-0123/2012)

referred to responsible: TRAN
opinion: CULT, ENVI

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on the monitoring of marine ecosystems and fish populations (B7-0124/2012)

referred to responsible: PECH
opinion: ENVI

- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris. Motion for a resolution on funding for scientific research into liquid detergent with added iron (B7-0128/2012)

referred to responsible: ITRE
opinion: ENVI

2.2) proposals for recommendations (Rule 121)

- Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, on behalf of the ALDE Group. Proposal for a recommendation to the Council on the 67th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (B7-0132/2012)

referred to responsible: AFET
opinion: DEVE

9. Oral questions and written declarations (submission)

The following documents had been submitted by Members:

1) oral questions (Rule 115)

- (O-000327/2011) by Brian Simpson, on behalf of the TRAN Committee, to the Council: Facing effectively the challenge of maritime piracy (B7-0039/2012);

- (O-000328/2011) by Brian Simpson, on behalf of the TRAN Committee, to the Commission: Facing effectively the challenge of maritime piracy (B7-0040/2012);

- (O-000013/2012) by Richard Seeber, Sophie Auconie, Daciana Octavia Sârbu, Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy, Satu Hassi, Miroslav Ouzký and Sabine Wils, on behalf of the ENVI Committee, to the Commission: 6th World Water Forum in Marseille, 12-17 March 2012 (B7-0101/2012);

- (O-000014/2012) by Pervenche Berès and Marian Harkin, on behalf of the EMPL Committee, to the Council: European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) crisis derogation (B7-0102/2012);

- (O-000045/2012) by Patrick Le Hyaric, Takis Hadjigeorgiou, João Ferreira and Nikolaos Chountis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, to the Commission: Schmallerberg outbreak (B7-0103/2012);
- (O-000047/2012) by James Nicholson, Ashley Fox, on behalf of the ECR Group, Albert Deß and Esther de Lange, on behalf of the PPE Group, to the Commission: Schmallerberg outbreak (B7-0104/2012);
- (O-000057/2012) by George Lyon and Nathalie Griesbeck, on behalf of the ALDE Group, to the Commission: Schmallerberg outbreak (B7-0105/2012);
- (O-000059/2012) by Klaus-Heiner Lehne, on behalf of the JURI Committee and Juan Fernando López Aguilar, on behalf of the LIBE Committee, to the Commission: Judicial training (B7-0106/2012).

2) written declarations for inclusion in the register (Rule 123)

- George Lyon, Esther de Lange, Dan Jørgensen, Marit Paulsen and Janusz Wojciechowski, on the implementation of the ban on individual sow stands by 1 January 2013 (0006/2012);
- Filip Kaczmarek, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Michael Gahler, Catherine Grèze and Fiona Hall, on development education and active global citizenship (0007/2012);
- Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Corina Crețu, Michèle Striffler and Eleni Theocharous, on the effects of oil companies' activities on the environment, health and development in Africa (0008/2012);
- Oreste Rossi, on discrimination against Italian under the EU language arrangements (0009/2012);
- Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Louis Michel, Andreas Mölzer, Eva Ortiz Vilella and Ewald Stadler, on the establishment of European Artisanal Gelato Day (0010/2012);
- Antigoni Papadopoulou, João Ferreira, Jim Higgins, Antonyia Parvanova and Raül Romeva i Rueda, on establishing a European cardiac arrest awareness week (0011/2012);
- George Sabin Cutaș, Gaston Franco, Satu Hassi and Daciana Octavia Sârbu, on deforestation in the European Union (0012/2012);
- Tanja Fajon, Roberta Angelilli and Cecilia Wikström, on establishing 13 December as European Day against sexual abuse of children (0013/2012);
- Raül Romeva i Rueda, Kriton Arsenis, Willy Meyer, Michèle Rivasi and Oreste Rossi, on the recognition of multiple chemical sensitivity and electrohypersensitivity in the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) (0014/2012);
- Mario Borghezio, Magdi Cristiano Allam, Philippe de Villiers, Nigel Farage and Francesco Enrico Speroni, on the need to abandon the euro and return to national currencies (0015/2012).

10. Lapsed written declarations

In accordance with Rule 123(5), written declarations 0043/2011, 0044/2011 and 0046/2011 had lapsed as they had not obtained the required number of signatures.

11. Texts of agreements forwarded by the Council

The Council had forwarded certified true copies of the following:

- Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for by the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Mozambique;
- Agreement between the European Union and New Zealand amending the Agreement on Mutual Recognition in relation to conformity assessment between the European Community and New Zealand.

12. Action taken on Parliament's positions and resolutions

The Commission communications on the action taken on the positions and resolutions adopted by Parliament during the October II 2011, November I 2011, November II 2011 and December 2011 part-sessions were available on the Séance en direct site.

13. Transfers of appropriations

The Committee on Budgets had rejected the Commission's proposal for transfer of appropriations DEC 01/2012 (N7-0038/2012 - C7-0023/2012 - 2012/2013 (GBD)) in accordance with Article 24 (4) of the Financial Regulation as interpreted in point 20 of the joint declaration on transitional measures applicable to the budgetary procedure after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty.

The Committee on Budgets had authorised the Commission's proposal for transfer of appropriations DEC 04/2012 (N7-0042/2012 - C7-0041/2012 - 2012/2018 (GBD)) in accordance with Article 24 (4) of the Financial Regulation as interpreted in point 20 of the joint declaration on transitional measures applicable to the budgetary procedure after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty.

The Committee on Budgets had authorised the European External Action Service's proposal for transfer of appropriations DEC 1/2012 in accordance with Article 24(4) of the Financial Regulation as interpreted in point 20 of the joint declaration on transitional measures applicable to the budgetary procedure after the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty.

14. Petitions

The following petitions, which had been entered in the register on the dates shown below, had been forwarded to the committee responsible under Rule 201(6):

20 February 2012

(name withheld) (No 0093/2012); (name withheld) (No 0094/2012); Julio Martín de Eugenio Manglano (Colectivo Espartal-Ecologistas en Acción de Valdemoro) (No 0095/2012); (name withheld) (No 0096/2012); Gheorghe Pasniceanu (No 0097/2012); Carlos Schreier (No 0098/2012); (name withheld) (No 0099/2012); (name withheld) (No 0100/2012); Enrique Arraiz Curbelo (No 0101/2012); Horacio Jackson Villalonga (No 0102/2012); Leopoldo Hernández López (No 0103/2012); (name withheld) (No 0104/2012); Tofan Pricopie (No 0105/2012); (name withheld) (No 0106/2012); Alberto Peña Guillén (No 0107/2012); Nokolaj Astapenkov (No 0108/2012); George Popescu (No 0109/2012); David López Segura (No 0110/2012); Daniel Alejandro Gómez Macri (No 0111/2012); Graciela Cristina Gómez (Estudio Jurídico Gómez) (No 0112/2012); Pedro Brufao Curiel (Asociación para el Estudio y Mejora de los Salmónidos (AEMS-Ríos con Vida)) (No 0113/2012); Virgil Dulea (No 0114/2012); Luminița-Niculina Costache (No 0115/2012); Iwo Domeracki (133 signatures) (No 0116/2012); Abdul Samed VELI (No 0117/2012); (name withheld) (No 0118/2012); Johannes Lehnert (Lehnert Strategische Kommunikation) (No 0119/2012); (name

withheld) (No 0120/2012); Hans-Wilhelm Schraa (No 0121/2012); Francesco Agnoli (Movimento Europeo per la difesa della Vita e della Dignità Umana (MEVD)) (No 0122/2012); Allan Ernstsén (No 0123/2012); Mariella Cappai (No 0124/2012); Rudy Toninato (No 0125/2012); Jean-Pierre Danloue (No 0126/2012); Laura Trojanis (No 0127/2012); Prodan Statev (No 0128/2012); Mirko Caminito Bernardi (No 0129/2012); Marc Schaeffer (No 0130/2012); Mario Di Nardo (No 0131/2012).

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Regina Brandenburger (No 0132/2012); Andrew Nicholas Duff (MPE - Membre du Parlement Européen) (3 signatures) (No 0133/2012); Anais Berthier (Client Earth – Friends of the Earth Europe) (2 signatures) (No 0134/2012); Thomas Schmidt (No 0135/2012); Ulrich Pauly (No 0136/2012); Daniel Schoeler (No 0137/2012); Thomas Jähne (No 0138/2012); Helmut Moreth (No 0139/2012); Peter Marek (No 0140/2012); Christian Frener (No 0141/2012); Mateusz Wójtowicz (No 0142/2012); Zsák Ferenc Tibor (Tiszántúli Természetvédők Társulata (Society Conservationists of Eastern Hungary)) (No 0143/2012); Stefan Christof Henrykowski (No 0144/2012); Heino Christophersen (No 0145/2012); Konrad Schmidt (No 0146/2012); Teresa Pietrzak (Stowarzyszenie Sympatyków Ładu Obywatelskiego, Własności i Kapitału) (No 0147/2012); Wilfried Nohring (No 0148/2012); Demecs István (No 0149/2012); Michael Wöstefeld (No 0150/2012); Olga Lucia Lehner (No 0151/2012); (name withheld) (No 0152/2012); Klaus Samer (No 0153/2012); Georg Leising (No 0154/2012); Fabian Redeker (No 0155/2012); René Salhab (No 0156/2012); (name withheld) (No 0157/2012); Christian Franken (No 0158/2012); Martina Ledermann (No 0159/2012); Lehmann Tobias (No 0160/2012); Patrick Maeremans (No 0161/2012); Johannes Juijn (No 0162/2012); Bogdan-Adrian Clujeanu (No 0163/2012); Benedicte Franki (No 0164/2012); Jerzy Nowotny (No 0165/2012); (name withheld) (No 0166/2012); Reni Evstatieva (No 0167/2012); (name withheld) (No 0168/2012); (name withheld) (No 0169/2012); (name withheld) (No 0170/2012); Klaus Traeger (No 0171/2012); Evangelos Kolakos (No 0172/2012); Reinaldo Díaz Lobeto (No 0173/2012); Nelí Linca (No 0174/2012); Nicolás Vellón Amado (Asociación de Vecinos Rosa dos Ventos de Sedes) (2 signatures) (No 0175/2012); José Palao Boilard (No 0176/2012); Leandro Marques (No 0177/2012); (name withheld) (No 0178/2012); José Manuel Martín Álvarez (No 0179/2012); Adrian Maire (No 0180/2012); José Antonio Torres Espino (No 0181/2012); Michel Mirpuri (No 0182/2012); (name withheld) (No 0183/2012); Adrian Raviv Lerner (Romania Heliohost Organization) (No 0184/2012); Anna Vena (No 0185/2012); (name withheld) (No 0186/2012); Klaus Bitzer (No 0187/2012); Pascal Candotto (ACA France - Adaptation Automobile) (No 0188/2012); Brigitte Verhauwaert (No 0189/2012); Jerzy Lekowski (No 0190/2012); Adrian Simion (No 0191/2012); Jussi Airaksinen (No 0192/2012); Erick Labrousse (Groupement pour le respect des fuseaux horaires en Europe) (No 0193/2012); Francesco Cosentino (No 0194/2012); (name withheld) (No 0195/2012); Gérard Aubery (No 0196/2012); Francesco Saltini (2 signatures) (No 0197/2012); Jean-Marie Sirvins (No 0198/2012); (name withheld) (No 0199/2012); Augusto Rossi (Bambini Senza Onde – Comitato per la lotta all'inquinamento elettromagnetico di radio Vaticana) (No 0200/2012); (name withheld) (No 0201/2012); Annamaria Venier (No 0202/2012); Joachim Scholz (No 0203/2012); Adriana Palleni (Associazione Comitati Cittadini Indipendenti) (No 0204/2012); Giorgio Gurrierri (No 0205/2012); Saban Bostan (No 0206/2012); (name withheld) (No 0207/2012); Stephen Bicknell (No 0208/2012); David Klein (No 0209/2012); (name withheld) (No 0210/2012); Lucian Tamaris (No 0211/2012); (name withheld) (No 0212/2012); Pamela Baker (No 0213/2012); Michael Gare-Simmons (No 0214/2012); Novák László (No 0215/2012); (name withheld) (No 0216/2012); Giovanni Di Salvo (Ordine degli Avvocati di Napoli) (No 0217/2012); Bencze Éva Zsuzsanna (No 0218/2012); Georg Reichlin-Meldegg (No 0219/2012); Paola Sirigu (7 signatures) (No 0220/2012); Luta Antoine Mwe Katone (No 0221/2012); Pescara Employees P&G IRC (Procter & Gamble Research Development Technical Centre (Italian Research Centre)) (No 0222/2012); Alex Wilks (AVAAZ Organisation) (2500000 signatures) (No 0223/2012); (name withheld) (No 0224/2012);

Irina Du Plessis (No 0225/2012); Heinrich Merkl (No 0226/2012); Vladimír Hacek (No 0227/2012); Dimitrios Giannos (No 0228/2012); Theodoros Pitikaris (No 0229/2012); Andreas Nakos (No 0230/2012); Ilmi Brahaj (3 signatures) (No 0231/2012); (name withheld) (No 0232/2012); Ioannis Simantirakis (No 0233/2012); Georgios Papageorgiou (No 0234/2012); Martina Marinari (No 0235/2012); Thomas Bledau (No 0236/2012); P Dijksteel (No 0237/2012); Sven D. Adler (No 0238/2012); (name withheld) (No 0239/2012); Torsten Liebisch (No 0240/2012); Jurgen Kumlehn (No 0241/2012); Arnd Dixit (No 0242/2012); Walter Worsch (No 0243/2012).

15. Order of business

The next item was the order of business.

The final draft agenda for the March I 2012 sittings (PE 483.918 PDOJ) had been distributed and a number of changes had been proposed (Rule 140):

Monday

No changes.

Tuesday

The report by Eva Lichtenberger on the request for waiver of the immunity of Krisztina Morvai (A7-0050/2012), adopted by the JURI Committee, had been entered on the voting list for Tuesday, 13 March 2012.

Request from the PPE Group to add to the agenda for Tuesday a debate on the Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending certain regulations relating to the common commercial policy as regards the procedures for the adoption of certain measures (A7-0028/2012) by Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl, which had already been entered on the voting list for Tuesday (Item 33 on the final draft agenda).

The following spoke: Daniel Caspary, on behalf of the PPE Group, who moved the request.

Parliament agreed to the request.

The debate on the report was added as the last item on the agenda for Tuesday, 13 March 2012 and the vote would be held on Wednesday, 14 March 2012.

Wednesday

Request from the PPE Group to add to the agenda, immediately after the debate on the situation in Nigeria (item 75 on the final draft agenda), a Statement by the Vice-President of the Commission and High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy on the situation in Belarus.

The following spoke: José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, on behalf of the PPE Group, who moved the request.

The request was approved.

The Statement was added as an item on the agenda for Wednesday, following the debate on the situation in Nigeria, and the vote would be held on Thursday, 15 March 2012.

The following deadlines were set for tabling motions for resolution and amendments:

motions for resolutions: Tuesday, 13 March 2012 at 12.00

amendments and joint motions for resolutions: Wednesday, 14 March 2012 at 12.00

amendments to joint motions for resolutions: Wednesday, 14 March 2012 at 13.00

Thursday

No changes.

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The order of business was thus established.

The following spoke: Francesco Enrico Speroni on the Statement on Maritime Piracy (*item 89 on the final draft agenda*).

16. One year after Fukushima - lessons learned

Statement by the President: One year after Fukushima - lessons learned

The President made the statement.

The following spoke: Jean-Pierre Audy, on behalf of the PPE Group, Marita Ulvskog, on behalf of the S&D Group, Adina-Ioana Vălean, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Rebecca Harms, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Sajjad Karim, on behalf of the ECR Group, Marisa Matias, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, and Francesco Enrico Speroni, on behalf of the EFD Group.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding (Vice-President of the Commission).

IN THE CHAIR: Anni PODIMATA
Vice-President

The debate closed.

17. Equality between women and men in the European Union - 2011 - Women in political decision-making (debate)

Report on equality between women and men in the European Union - 2011 [2011/2244(INI)] - Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality. Rapporteur: Sophia in 't Veld (A7-0041/2012)

Report on women in political decision making - quality and equality [2011/2295(INI)] - Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality. Rapporteur: Sirpa Pietikäinen (A7-0029/2012)

Sophia in 't Veld and Sirpa Pietikäinen presented their reports.

The following spoke: Franz Obermayr on the conduct of the debate.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Lívia Járóka, on behalf of the PPE Group, Antigoni Papadopoulou, on behalf

of the S&D Group, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Raül Romeva i Rueda, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Marina Yannakoudakis, on behalf of the ECR Group, Mikael Gustafsson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Tadeusz Cymański, on behalf of the EFD Group, Angelika Werthmann, Non-attached Member, Mariya Nedelcheva, Katarína Neved'alová, Antonia Parvanova, Ulrike Lunacek, Inês Cristina Zuber, Mara Bizzotto, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Sophia in 't Veld and Ulrike Lunacek, Silvia Costa, to clarify a point in the debate, Andrew Henry William Brons, Edit Bauer, who also replied to a blue-card question by Liisa Jaakonsaari, Silvia Costa, Silvana Koch-Mehrin, Ana Miranda, Paul Nuttall, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Sirpa Pietikäinen and Sophia in 't Veld, Roberta Angelilli, Rovana Plumb and Gesine Meissner.

IN THE CHAIR: Roberta ANGELILLI
Vice-President

The following spoke: Nicole Kiil-Nielsen, Christa Klauß, Marc Tarabella, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Zita Gurmai, Olle Schmidt, Barbara Matera, Maria Eleni Koppa, Astrid Lulling, Bogusław Liberadzki, who also replied to a blue-card question by Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska, Elena Băsescu, Jutta Steinruck, Erminia Mazzoni, Michael Cashman, Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă, Elisabeth Köstinger, Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska, Constance Le Grip and Andrea Češková, who also replied to a blue-card question by Edite Estrela.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Csaba Sógor, Danuta Jazłowiecka, Anna Záborská, Zuzana Roithová, Petru Constantin Luhan, Silvia-Adriana Țicău, Emer Costello, Cornelia Ernst, Franz Obermayr and Krisztina Morvai.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding, Sophia in 't Veld and Sirpa Pietikäinen.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 13.3.2012, item 8.4 and minutes of 13.3.2012, item 8.5.*

18. Composition of Parliament

The competent Finnish authorities had given notice of the election of Risto E.J. Penttilä to replace Ville Itälä as a Member of the European Parliament with effect from 1 March 2012.

Risto E.J. Penttilä had subsequently given notice of his resignation as a Member of the European Parliament with effect from 1 March 2012.

In accordance with Rule 4(1) and (3), Parliament established the vacancy as of the above-mentioned date and informed the national authority concerned.

IN THE CHAIR: Georgios PAPASTAMKOS
Vice-President

19. Jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of decisions and authentic instruments in matters of succession and the creation of a European Certificate of Succession *I (debate)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of decisions and authentic instruments in matters of succession and the creation of a European Certificate of Succession [COM(2009)0154 -

Kurt Lechner introduced the report.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding (Vice-President of the Commission).

The following spoke: Klaus-Heiner Lehne, on behalf of the PPE Group, Luigi Berlinguer, on behalf of the S&D Group, Alexandra Thein, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Eva Lichtenberger, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Sajjad Karim, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jaroslav Paška, on behalf of the EFD Group, Dimitar Stoyanov, Non-attached Member, Tadeusz Zwiefka, Evelyn Regner, Janusz Wojciechowski, Gerard Batten, Raffaele Baldassarre, Katarína Neved'alová and Silvia-Adriana Țicău.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Elena Băsescu, Alajos Mészáros and Andreas Mölzer.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding and Kurt Lechner.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 13.3.2012, item 8.3.*

20. Judicial training (debate)

Oral question (O-000059/2012) by Klaus-Heiner Lehne, on behalf of the JURI Committee, and Juan Fernando López Aguilar, on behalf of the LIBE Committee, to the Commission: Judicial training (B7-0106/2012)

Tadeusz Zwiefka (deputising for Klaus-Heiner Lehne) and Juan Fernando López Aguilar moved the oral question.

IN THE CHAIR: László SURJÁN
Vice-President

Viviane Reding (Vice-President of the Commission) answered the oral question.

The following spoke: Salvatore Iacolino, on behalf of the PPE Group, Luigi Berlinguer, on behalf of the S&D Group, Cecilia Wikström, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Andreas Mölzer, Non-attached Member, Erminia Mazzoni, Kinga Göncz and Evelyn Regner.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Georgios Papanikolaou and Jaroslav Paška.

The following spoke: Viviane Reding.

Motions for a resolution tabled under Rule 110(2), to wind up the debate:

- Klaus-Heiner Lehne, on behalf of the Committee on Legal Affairs, and Juan Fernando López Aguilar, on behalf of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs on judicial training (2012/2575(RSP)) (B7-0150/2012).

The debate closed.

Vote: minutes of 14.3.2012, item 9.6.

21. One-minute speeches on matters of political importance

In accordance with Rule 150, the following Members who wished to draw the attention of Parliament to matters of political importance spoke for one minute:

Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska, Teresa Riera Madurell, Ana Miranda, Paul Nuttall, Georgios Toussas, Corneliu Vadim Tudor, Petru Constantin Luhan, Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă, Nikos Chrysogelos, Inês Cristina Zuber, Nuno Melo, Luis Yáñez-Barnuevo García, Georgios Koumoutsakos, Joseph Cuschieri, Andrzej Grzyb, Andres Perello Rodriguez, Katarína Neved'alová, George Sabin Cutaş, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, María Irigoyen Pérez, Emer Costello and Daciana Octavia Sârbu.

22. Statute for a European cooperative society with regard to the involvement of employees (short presentation)

Report on the Statute for a European Cooperative Society with regard to the involvement of employees [2011/2116(INI)] - Committee on Employment and Social Affairs. Rapporteur: Sven Giegold (A7-0432/2011)

Sven Giegold made the presentation.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Miroslav Mikolášik, Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă, Csaba Sógor, Katarína Neved'alová and Evelyn Regner.

The following spoke: Androulla Vassiliou (Member of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: minutes of 13.3.2012, item 8.6.

23. Bologna process (short presentation)

Report on the contribution of the European institutions to the consolidation and progress of the Bologna Process [2011/2180(INI)] - Committee on Culture and Education. Rapporteur: Luigi Berlinguer (A7-0035/2012)

Luigi Berlinguer made the presentation.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Zuzana Roithová, Ivailo Kalfin, Marek Henryk Migalski, Piotr Borys and Jaroslav Paška.

The following spoke: Androulla Vassiliou (Member of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: minutes of 13.3.2012, item 8.7.

24. Agenda of the next sitting

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 483.918 OJMA).

25. Closure of the sitting

The sitting closed at 23.00.

26. Closure of the session

The 2011-2012 session of the European Parliament closed.

In accordance with the Treaty, Parliament would meet the following day, Tuesday 13 March 2012 at 9.00.

Klaus Welle
Secretary-General

Anni Podimata
Vice-President

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

12.3.2012

The following signed:

Abad, Áder, Albertini, Albrecht, Alfano, Alfonsi, Alvaro, Alves, Andreasen, Andrés Barea, Andrikienė, Angelilli, Antonescu, Antoniozzi, Arias Echeverría, Arlacchi, Arsenis, Ashworth, Atkins, Auconie, Audy, Margrete Auken, Aylward, van Baalen, Bach, Badia i Cutchet, Bagó, Balčytis, Baldassarre, Balz, Balzani, Bartolozzi, Băsescu, Batten, Bauer, Becker, Belder, Belet, Bélier, Benarab-Attou, Bendtsen, Bennahmias, Berès, Berlinguer, Berman, Besset, Bielan, Bilbao Barandica, Binev, Bisky, Bizzotto, Blinkevičiūtė, Bodu, Böge, Bokros, Borghezio, Borys, Boşınaru, Bové, Bowles, Bradbourn, Bratkowski, Brepoels, Brok, Brons, Brzobohatá, Bufton, Bullmann, Buşoi, Busuttil, Bütikofer, Cabrnock, Cadec, Callanan, van de Camp, Cancian, Capoulas Santos, Caronna, Carvalho, Casa, Cashman, Casini, Caspary, Castex, del Castillo Vera, Cercas, Češková, Chichester, Childers, Chountis, Christensen, Chrysogelos, Claeys, Clark, Cochet, Coelho, Coffferati, Colman, Corazza Bildt, Correa Zamora, Cortés Lastra, Silvia Costa, Costello, Cozzolino, Cramer, Crocetta, Cuschieri, Cutaş, Cymański, Czarnecki, Frédéric Daerden, van Dalen, Dăncilă, Danellis, (The Earl of) Dartmouth, Daul, David, Davies, De Angelis, De Backer, De Castro, Dehaene, De Keyser, Delli, Delvaux, De Mita, de Sarnez, Désir, Deß, Deutsch, Deva, De Veyrac, Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, Dodds, Domenici, Donskis, Dorfmann, Droutsas, Duff, Durant, Dušek, Ehrenhauser, Eickhout, El Khadraoui, Elles, Enciu, Engel, Engström, Eppink, Ernst, Ertug, Essayah, Estaràs Ferragut, Estrela, Evans, Fajmon, Fajon, Falbr, Farage, Färm, Feio, Ferber, Fernandes, Elisa Ferreira, Fidanza, Fisas Ayxela, Fjellner, Flašíková Beňová, Fleckenstein, Florenz, Fontana, Ford, Foster, Fox, Fraga Estévez, Franco, Gahler, Gál, Gallagher, Gallo, Garcés Ramón, García Pérez, Gardiazábal Rubial, Gardini, Gargani, Gauzès, Gebhardt, Geier, Gerbrandy, Geringer de Oedenberg, Giannakou, Giegold, Gierek, Girling, Glante, Glattfelder, Godmanis, Goebbels, Goerens, Gollnisch, Gomes, Göncz, de Grandes Pascual, Gräßle, Grech, Grelier, Grèze, Griesbeck, Griffin, Gróbarczyk, Groote, Grosch, Grossetête, Grzyb, Gualtieri, Guerrero Salom, Gurmai, Gustafsson, Gutiérrez-Cortines, Gutiérrez Prieto, Gyürk, Haglund, Fiona Hall, Händel, Handzlik, Hankiss, Hannan, Harbour, Hartong, Hassi, Haug, Häusling, Helmer, Hénin, Herczog, Herranz García, Hibner, Higgins, Nadja Hirsch, Hohlmeier, Hökmark, Honeyball, Hortefeux, Howitt, Danuta Maria Hübner, Hughes, Hyusmenova, Iacolino, Ibrisagic, Ilchev, Imbrasas, in 't Veld, Iotova, Iovine, Irigoyen Pérez, Iturgaiz Angulo, Ivan, Ivanova, Jaakonsaari, Jääteenmäki, Jadot, Jahr, Járóka, Jazłowiecka, Jędrzejewska, Jeggler, Jensen, Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Johansson, Joly, Jordan, Jørgensen, Kacin, Kaczmarek, Kadenbach, Kalfin, Kalinowski, Kalniete, Kamall, Kamiński, Kammervert, Karas, Karim, Kariņš, Kasoulides, Kastler, Kazak, Kelam, Keller, Kelly, Kiil-Nielsen, Kirilov, Klaß, Kleva, Klinz, Klute, Koch, Koch-Mehrin, Kohlíček, Kolarska-Bobińska, Koppa, Korhola, Kósa, Köstinger, Koumoutsakos, Kovatchev, Kowal, Kozlík, Kozłowski, Kraemer, Krehl, Kreissl-Dörfler, Kuhn, Kukan, Lamassoure, Lambert, Lamberts, Lange, de Lange, Langen, La Via, Le Brun, Lechner, Le Grip, Legutko, Lehne, Le Hyaric, Leichtfried, Leinen, Liberadzki, Lichtenberger, Liese, Liotard, Lisek, Lochbihler, Løkkegaard, Lope Fontagné, López Aguilar, Lösing, Lövin, Ludford, Ludvigsson, Luhan, Łukacijewska, Lulling, Lunacek, Lyon, McAvan, McCarthy, McGuinness, McIntyre, McMillan-Scott, Macovei, Madlener, Malinov, Manders, Mănescu, Maňka, Mann, Manner, Marcinkiewicz, Marinescu, David Martin, Hans-Peter Martin, Martínez Martínez, Masip Hidalgo, Mastella, Matera, Mathieu, Matias, Mato

Adrover, Matula, Mauro, Mavronikolas, Mayer, Mayor Oreja, Mazej Kukovič, Mazzoni, Meissner, Melo, Menéndez del Valle, Merkies, Messerschmidt, Mészáros, Migalski, Mikolášik, Milana, Millán Mon, Miranda, Mitchell, Mölzer, Morganti, Morin-Chartier, Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė, Morvai, Mulder, Murphy, Muscardini, Natrass, Nedelcheva, Neuser, Neved'alová, Newton Dunn, Neynsky, Nicholson, Nicolai, Niculescu, Niebler, van Nistelrooij, Nitras, Nuttall, Obermayr, Ojuland, Olejniczak, Omarjee, Oomen-Ruijten, Ortiz Vilella, Óry, Ouzký, Oviir, Pack, Padar, Paksas, Paleckis, Paliadeli, Panayotov, Papadopoulou, Papanikolaou, Papastamkos, Parvanova, Paşcu, Paška, Patrão Neves, Patriciello, Paulsen, Perello Rodriguez, Peterle, Pieper, Pietikäinen, Pirillo, Pirker, Pittella, Plumb, Poc, Podimata, Ponga, Poręba, Portas, Posselt, Pöttering, Poupakis, Preda, Prodi, Quisthoudt-Rowohl, Rangel, Ransdorf, Rapkay, Rapti, Regner, Reimers, Remek, Repo, Reul, Riera Madurell, Ries, Rinaldi, Riquet, Rivasi, Rivellini, Roatta, Rochefort, Rodust, Rohde, Roithová, Romeva i Rueda, Ronzulli, Rosbach, Rossi, Roth-Behrendt, Rouček, Rübige, Rubiks, Rühle, Saïfi, Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Salatto, Salavrakos, Sánchez Presedo, Sanchez-Schmid, Sârbu, Sargentini, Sartori, Saryusz-Wolski, Sassoli, Saudargas, Savisaar-Toomast, Schaake, Schaldemose, Schlyter, Olle Schmidt, Schnellhardt, Schnieber-Jastram, Scholz, Schöpflin, Schroedter, Martin Schulz, Werner Schulz, Schwab, Scicluna, Scottà, Scurria, Seeber, Sehnalová, Senyszyn, Serracchiani, Siekierski, Silvestris, Simon, Simpson, Sinclair, Sippel, Siwiec, Skinner, Skrzydlewska, Skylakakis, Smith, Smolková, Sógor, Sommer, Søndergaard, Sonik, Sosa Wagner, Speroni, Stadler, Staes, Stassen, Šťastný, Stavrakakis, Steinruck, Stevenson, Stihler, van der Stoep, Stolojan, Dimitar Stoyanov, Strejček, Striffler, Sturdy, Surján, Susta, Svensson, Swoboda, Szájer, Szymański, Tabajdi, Takkula, Tănăsescu, Tarabella, Tarand, Tatarella, Tavares, Taylor, Teixeira, Thein, Theocharous, Thomsen, Thun und Hohenstein, Thyssen, Țicău, Tirolien, Tőkés, Tomaševski, Tošenovský, Toussas, Trautmann, Tremosa i Balcells, Trüpel, Trzaskowski, Tsoukalas, Turunen, Tzavela, Uggias, Ulmer, Ulvskog, Ungureanu, Urutchev, Uspaskich, Vadim Tudor, Vaidere, Vajgl, Vălean, Van Brempt, Vanhecke, Van Orden, Vattimo, Vaughan, Vergiat, Vergnaud, Verheyen, Vigenin, Vlasák, Voss, Watson, Henri Weber, Manfred Weber, Renate Weber, Weidenholzer, Weiler, Weisgerber, Werthmann, Westphal, Wieland, Wikström, Willmott, Wils, Hermann Winkler, Iuliu Winkler, Włosowicz, Wojciechowski, Wortmann-Kool, Yáñez-Barnuevo García, Yannakoudakis, Záborská, Zala, Zalba Bidegain, Zalewski, Zanicchi, Zanoni, Zasada, Ždanoka, Zeller, Zemke, Zijlstra, Zimmer, Ziobro, Zuber, Zver, Zwiefka