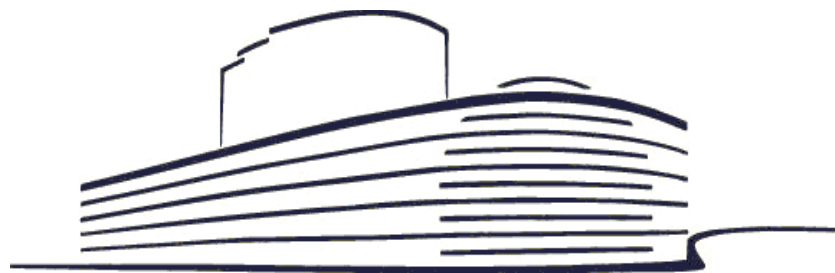


# MINUTES

of the sitting of

**Thursday**

19 April 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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## MINUTES

THURSDAY 19 APRIL 2012

IN THE CHAIR: Gianni PITTELLA  
*Vice-President*

### 1. Opening of the sitting

The sitting opened at 9.00.

### 2. Implementing measures (Rule 88)

The following draft implementing measures falling under the regulatory procedure with scrutiny had been forwarded to Parliament:

- Commission Decision amending Commission Decisions 2006/679/EC and 2006/860/EC concerning technical specifications for interoperability (Omnibus part 2) (D017239/03 - 2012/2597 (RPS) - deadline: 27/06/2012)  
referred to responsible: TRAN
- Commission Decision amending Commission Decisions 2006/861/EC, 2008/163/EC, 2008/164/EC, 2008/217/EC, 2008/231/EC, 2008/232/EC, 2008/284/EC, 2011/229/EU, 2011/274/EU, 2011/275/EU, 2011/291/EU and 2011/314/EU concerning technical specifications for interoperability (Omnibus part 3) (D017241/03 - 2012/2598(RPS) - deadline: 28/06/2012)  
referred to responsible: TRAN
- Commission Regulation (EU) No .../. laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations (D018698/02 - 2012/2607(RPS) - deadline: 29/06/2012)  
referred to responsible: TRAN  
opinion: JURI
- Commission Regulation (EU) amending Commission Regulation (EU) No 454/2011 on the technical specification for interoperability relating to the subsystem 'telematics applications for passenger services' of the trans-European rail system (D019166/02 - 2012/2596(RPS) - deadline: 26/06/2012)  
referred to responsible: TRAN
- Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for printed paper (D019244/02 - 2012/2601(RPS) - deadline: 28/06/2012)  
referred to responsible: ENVI
- Commission Regulation (EU) No .../. amending Regulation (EC) No 593/2007 on the fees and charges levied by the European Aviation Safety Agency (D019602/02 - 2012/2608(RPS) - deadline: 11/07/2012)  
referred to responsible: TRAN

- Commission Regulation (EU) No .../.. amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1234/2008 concerning the examination of variations to the terms of marketing authorisations for medicinal products for human use and veterinary medicinal products (D019606/02 - 2012/2612(RPS) - deadline: 12/07/2012)  
referred to responsible: ENVI  
opinion: AGRI

- Commission Regulation (EU) No .../.. amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1234/2008 concerning the examination of variations to the terms of marketing authorisations for medicinal products for human use and veterinary medicinal products (D019622/02 - 2012/2611(RPS) - deadline: 12/07/2012)  
referred to responsible: ENVI  
opinion: AGRI

### **3. Delegated acts (Rule 87a)**

The following delegated act had been forwarded to Parliament:

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No .../.. of 30.3.2012 amending Regulation (EC) No 809/2004 as regards the format and the content of the prospectus, the base prospectus, the summary and the final terms and as regards the disclosure requirements – C(2012) 2086 – deadline: 30.06.2012

committee responsible: ECON  
committee asked for opinion: JURI

### **4. EU-USA agreement on the use and transfer of PNR to the US Department of Homeland Security \*\*\* (debate)**

Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the United States of America and the European Union on the use and transfer of Passenger Name Records to the United States Department of Homeland Security [17433/2011 - C7-0511/2011-2011/0382(NLE)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Sophia in 't Veld (A7-0099/2012)

Sophia in 't Veld introduced the report.

The following spoke: Morten Bødskov (President-in-Office of the Council) and Cecilia Malmström (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Axel Voss, on behalf of the PPE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Sophia in 't Veld, Claude Moraes, on behalf of the S&D Group, Renate Weber, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Jan Philipp Albrecht, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Krisztina Morvai, Timothy Kirkhope, on behalf of the ECR Group, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Graham Watson and Sophia in 't Veld, Gerard Batten, on behalf of the EFD Group, Cornelia Ernst, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Auke Zijlstra, Non-Attached Member, who also replied to a blue-card question by Alexander Alvaro, Manfred Weber, who also replied to three blue-card questions from Rui Tavares, Jan Philipp Albrecht and Jörg Leichtfried, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Alexander Alvaro, Judith Sargentini, Jacqueline Foster, who also replied to three blue-card questions from Sophia in 't Veld, Krisztina Morvai and Jan Philipp Albrecht, Mario Borghezio, Andreas Mölzer, Simon Busuttil, who also replied to a blue-card question by Carmen Romero López, Birgit Sippel, Nathalie Griesbeck, Hélène Flautre, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jacqueline Foster, Martin Ehrenhauser, Mario Mauro and Kinga Göncz.

IN THE CHAIR: Isabelle DURANT  
*Vice-President*

The following spoke: Norica Nicolai, Rui Tavares, who also replied to two blue-card questions by Axel Voss and Jacqueline Foster, Angelika Werthmann, Frank Engel, Dimitrios Droutsas, Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jörg Leichtfried, Sylvie Guillaume, Carlos Coelho and David-Maria Sassoli.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Ana Gomes, Miroslav Mikolášik, Ioan Mircea Paşcu, Petri Sarvamaa, Gesine Meissner, Phil Prendergast, Monika Flašíková Beňová, Sarah Ludford and Jaroslav Paška.

The following spoke: Carlos Coelho on an interpretation problem during her previous speech, Krisztina Morvai under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure, and Jörg Leichtfried on the conduct of the debate.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmström, Morten Bødskov and Sophia in 't Veld.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 19.4.2012, item 6.5.*

## **5. Trafficking in human beings (debate)**

Council and Commission statements: Trafficking in human beings

Morten Bødskov (President-in-Office of the Council) and Cecilia Malmström (Member of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: Edit Bauer, on behalf of the PPE Group, Anna Hedh, on behalf of the S&D Group, Antonia Parvanova, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Judith Sargentini, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, James Nicholson, on behalf of the ECR Group, Zbigniew Ziobro, on behalf of the EFD Group, Mikael Gustafsson, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, Silvia Costa, Nathalie Griesbeck, Peter van Dalen, Roberta Angelilli, Carmen Romero López and Salvatore Iacolino.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Miroslav Mikolášik, Catherine Bearder, Ana Miranda and Andrew Henry William Brons.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmström and Morten Bødskov.

The debate closed.

IN THE CHAIR: Alejo VIDAL-QUADRAS  
*Vice-President*

## **6. Voting time**

Detailed voting results (amendments, separate and split votes, etc.) appear in the *Results of Votes* annex to the minutes.

The results of roll-call votes are available in electronic form only, as an annex to the minutes, and can be accessed via Europarl.

## **6.1. EU-Central African Republic Voluntary Partnership Agreement on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and derived products to the EU \*\*\* (Rule 138) (vote)**

Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of a Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Central African Republic on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber and derived products to the European Union (FLEGT) [14034/2011 - C7-0046/2012- 2011/0127(NLE)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Elisabeth Köstinger (A7-0082/2012)

*(Simple majority)*

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

### **DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION**

Adopted by single vote (*P7\_TA-PROV(2012)0131*)

Parliament consented to the conclusion of the agreement.

*The following had spoken:*

Elisabeth Köstinger (rapporteur).

## **6.2. EU-Liberia Voluntary Partnership Agreement on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber products to the EU \*\*\* (Rule 138) (vote)**

Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Liberia on forest law enforcement, governance and trade in timber products to the European Union [11104/2011 - C7-0241/2011-2011/0160(NLE)] - Committee on International Trade. Rapporteur: Elisabeth Köstinger (A7-0081/2012)

*(Simple majority)*

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

### **DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION**

Adopted by single vote (*P7\_TA(2012)0132*)

Parliament consented to the conclusion of the agreement.

## **6.3. Risk sharing instruments for Member States \*\*\*I (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 as regards certain provisions relating to risk sharing instruments for Member States experiencing or threatened with serious difficulties with respect to their financial stability [COM(2011)0655 - C7-0350/2011- 2011/0283(COD)] - Committee on Regional Development. Rapporteur: Danuta Maria Hübner (A7-0067/2012)

*(Simple majority)*

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

### **COMMISSION PROPOSAL**



Approved as amended (P7\_TA(2012)0133)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P7\_TA(2012)0133)

*The following had spoken:*

Francesco Enrico Speroni on the conduct of Question Time.

**6.4. Opinion from the Court of Justice on the compatibility with the Treaties of the Agreement between the United States of America and the European Union on the use and transfer of Passenger Name Records to the United States Department of Homeland Security (vote)**

Motion for a resolution by Cornelia Ernst, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, on seeking an opinion from the Court of Justice on the compatibility with the Treaties of the EU-US Agreement on the use and transfer of Passenger Name Records to the US Department of Homeland Security (B7-0200/2012)

*(Simple majority)*

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

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Rejected

**6.5. EU-USA agreement on the use and transfer of PNR to the US Department of Homeland Security \*\*\* (vote)**

Recommendation on the draft Council decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the United States of America and the European Union on the use and transfer of Passenger Name Records to the United States Department of Homeland Security [17433/2011 - C7-0511/2011-2011/0382(NLE)] - Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs. Rapporteur: Sophia in 't Veld (A7-0099/2012)

*(Simple majority)*

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

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P7\_TA(2012)0134)

Parliament consented to the conclusion of the agreement.

*The following had spoken:*

Sophia in 't Veld (rapporteur), before the vote, to make a clarification concerning the voting list, and again after the vote, to distance herself from the content of the text.

**6.6. Common consolidated corporate tax base \* (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a Council directive on a Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base (CCCTB) [COM(2011)0121 - C7-0092/2011- 2011/0058(CNS)] - Committee on Economic and

Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Marianne Thyssen (A7-0080/2012)

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

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Approved as amended (P7\_TA(2012)0135)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P7\_TA(2012)0135)

## **6.7. Taxation of energy products and electricity \* (vote)**

Report on the proposal for a Council Directive amending Council Directive 2003/96/EC restructuring the Community framework for the taxation of energy products and electricity [COM (2011)0169 - C7-0105/2011- 2011/0092(CNS)] - Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. Rapporteur: Astrid Lulling (A7-0052/2012)

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

COMMISSION PROPOSAL

Approved as amended (P7\_TA(2012)0136)

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

Adopted (P7\_TA(2012)0136)

## **6.8. Call for concrete ways to combat tax fraud and tax evasion (vote)**

Motion for a resolution B7-0203/2012

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

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

Adopted (P7\_TA(2012)0137)

## **7. Explanations of vote**

*Written explanations of vote:*

Explanations of vote submitted in writing under Rule 170 appear in the *Verbatim Report of Proceedings* for the sitting.

*Oral explanations of vote:*

**Report: Danuta Maria Hübner - A7-0067/2012**

Francesco De Angelis, Giommara Uggias, Erminia Mazzoni, Kay Swinburne, Iva Zanocchi, Daniel Hannan, Peter Jahr, Julie Girling, Raffaele Baldassarre, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, Sergio Paolo

Francesco Silvestris, Andrea Češková, Charles Tannock, Anna Záborská and Ryszard Czarnecki

**Opinion from the Court of Justice on the compatibility with the Treaties of the Agreement between the United States of America and the European Union on the use and transfer of Passenger Name Records to the United States Department of Homeland Security - B7-0200/2012**

Julie Girling, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris and Ryszard Czarnecki

**Recommendation: Sophia in 't Veld - A7-0099/2012**

Alfredo Antoniozzi, Ewald Stadler, Jens Rohde, Paul Murphy, Kay Swinburne, Jim Higgins, Daniel Hannan, Josef Weidenholzer, Raffaele Baldassarre, Peter Jahr, Michał Tomasz Kamiński, Pavel Poc, Mitro Repo, Diane Dodds, Anna Záborská, Charles Tannock, Elena Băsescu and Marina Yannakoudakis

**Report: Marianne Thyssen - A7-0080/2012**

Kay Swinburne, Daniel Hannan, Ivailo Kalfin, Marina Yannakoudakis, Raffaele Baldassarre, Julie Girling, Gay Mitchell, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Andrea Češková, Elena Băsescu, Syed Kamall, Seán Kelly and Peter Jahr

Charles Tannock spoke on the interpretation of Rule 170.

**Report: Astrid Lulling - A7-0052/2012**

Giovanni La Via, Jens Rohde, Kay Swinburne, Ivailo Kalfin, Jim Higgins, Alfredo Antoniozzi, Daniel Hannan, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Marina Yannakoudakis, Julie Girling, Norica Nicolai, Marek Józef Gróbarczyk, Charles Tannock, Syed Kamall and Jacky Hénin

**Call for concrete ways to combat tax fraud and tax evasion - B7-0203/2012**

Charles Tannock, Kay Swinburne, Daniel Hannan, Syed Kamall, Seán Kelly and Julie Girling

## **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.

*(The sitting was suspended at 14.00 and resumed at 15.00.)*

IN THE CHAIR: Roberta ANGELILLI  
*Vice-President*

## **9. Approval of the minutes of the previous sitting**

The minutes of the previous sitting were approved.

## **10. EU accession to the European Convention on Human Rights (debate)**

Council and Commission statements: EU accession to the European Convention on Human Rights

Morten Bødskov (President-in-Office of the Council) and Siim Kallas (Vice-President of the Commission) made the statements.

The following spoke: Kinga Gál, on behalf of the PPE Group, Enrique Guerrero Salom, on behalf of the S&D Group, Renate Weber, on behalf of the ALDE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Charles Tannock, Barbara Lochbihler, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Ashley Fox, on behalf of the ECR Group, who also replied to three blue-card questions by Andrew Duff, Nicole Sinclaire and Sarah Ludford, Gerard Batten, on behalf of the EFD Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jörg Leichtfried, Marie-Christine Vergiat, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Nicole Sinclaire, Non-attached Member, who also replied to a blue-card question by Michael Cashman, Carlo Casini, who also replied to a blue-card question by Jo Leinen, Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Andrew Duff, who also replied to a blue-card question by Charles Tannock, Jean Lambert, who also replied to a blue-card question by William (The Earl of) Dartmouth, Tomasz Piotr Poreba, Philip Claeys, Roberto Gualtieri, Sarah Ludford, who also replied to a blue-card question by Gerard Batten, William (The Earl of) Dartmouth, Kinga Göncz, Jaroslav Paška and Michael Cashman.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Miroslav Mikolášik, Richard Howitt, Izaskun Bilbao Barandica, Charles Tannock and Andrew Henry William Brons.

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

The following spoke: Siim Kallas and Morten Bødskov.

The debate closed.

## **11. Biometric passports (debate)**

Oral question (000052/2012) by Carlos Coelho and Simon Busuttil, on behalf of the PPE Group, Ioan Enciu and Henri Weber, on behalf of the S&D Group, Cornelia Ernst, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Franziska Keller and Tatjana Ždanoka, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, to the Commission: Biometric passports (B7-0107/2012)

Oral question (000065/2012) by Sarah Ludford, Sophia in 't Veld, Renate Weber, Alexander Alvaro, Nadja Hirsch and Louis Michel, on behalf of the ALDE Group, to the Commission: Biometric passports (B7-0108/2012)

Oral question (000100/2012) by Timothy Kirkhope, on behalf of the ECR Group, to the Commission: Biometric passports (B7-0112/2012)

Carlos Coelho, Ioan Enciu, Cornelia Ernst, Sarah Ludford and Franziska Keller moved the oral questions (B7-0107/2012 and B7-0108/2012).

IN THE CHAIR: Alexander ALVARO  
*Vice-President*

Roberts Zīle moved the oral question B7-0112/2012.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmström (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra, on behalf of the PPE Group, Sylvie Guillaume, on behalf of the S&D Group, Sophia in 't Veld, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Tatjana

Ždanoka, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Zbigniew Ziobro, on behalf of the EFD Group, Simon Busuttil, Nessa Childers, Roberta Angelilli and Véronique Mathieu.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Miroslav Mikolášik, Seán Kelly, Janusz Władysław Zemke, Franz Obermayr and Petru Constantin Luhan.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmström.

The debate closed.

## **12. Delimitation of Less-Favoured Areas in the context of the reform of the CAP (debate)**

Oral question (000070/2012) by Elisabeth Köstinger, Herbert Dorfmann and Albert Deß, on behalf of the PPE Group, Luis Manuel Capoulas Santos and Paolo De Castro, on behalf of the S&D Group, James Nicholson, on behalf of the ECR Group, George Lyon, Marit Paulsen, Liam Aylward, Britta Reimers, Marian Harkin and Giommara Uggias, on behalf of the ALDE Group, to the Council: Delimitation of Less-Favoured Areas in the context of the reform of the CAP (B7-0110/2012)

Oral question (000071/2012) by Patrick Le Hyaric and Nikolaos Chountis, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, to the Council: Delimitation of Less Favoured Areas in the context of the reform of the CAP (B7-0111/2012)

Elisabeth Köstinger, Luis Manuel Capoulas Santos, James Nicholson and George Lyon moved the oral question B7-0110/2012.

The following spoke: Morten Bødskov (President-in-Office of the Council).

The following spoke: Herbert Dorfmann, on behalf of the PPE Group, Paolo De Castro, on behalf of the S&D Group, Britta Reimers, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Alyn Smith, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Janusz Wojciechowski, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jacky Hénin, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Diane Dodds, Non-attached Member, Peter Jahr, who also replied to a blue-card question by Werner Kuhn, Iratxe García Pérez, Liam Aylward, Martin Häusling, Julie Girling, Maria do Céu Patrão Neves, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, Richard Ashworth, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Karin Kadenbach, Albert Deß and Jarosław Kalinowski.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Sabine Verheyen.

IN THE CHAIR: Othmar KARAS  
*Vice-President*

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Phil Prendergast, Mairead McGuinness and Riikka Manner.

The following spoke: João Ferreira to move oral question B7-0111/2012.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Rareş-Lucian Niculescu, Giovanni La Via, Milan Zver and Seán Kelly.

The following spoke: Morten Bødskov.

The debate closed.

### **13. Composition of committees and delegations**

The President had received the following requests for appointments from the ALDE and EFD Groups:

PETI Committee: Sonia Alfano

Special Committee on Organised Crime, Corruption and Money Laundering: Marta Andreasen to replace Rolandas Paksas

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

### **14. What is 'locally produced' food? (debate)**

Oral question (000046/2012) by Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, on behalf of the PPE Group, and Evelyne Gebhardt, on behalf of the S&D Group, to the Commission: What is 'locally produced' food? (B7-0109/2012)

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt and Evelyne Gebhardt moved the oral question.

Cecilia Malmström (Member of the Commission) answered the oral question.

The following spoke: Albert Deß, on behalf of the PPE Group, Marc Tarabella, on behalf of the S&D Group, Peter Jahr, to put a blue-card question to Albert Deß, to which he replied, Liam Aylward, on behalf of the ALDE Group, José Bové, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Janusz Wojciechowski, on behalf of the ECR Group, Jacek Włosowicz, on behalf of the EFD Group, João Ferreira, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Diane Dodds, Non-attached Member, Zuzana Roithová, Phil Prendergast, James Nicholson, Herbert Dorfmann, who also replied to a blue-card question by Franz Obermayr, Csaba Sándor Tabajdi and Lara Comi.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Elisabeth Köstinger, Olga Sehnalová, Mairead McGuinness, Karin Kadenbach, Andreas Mølzer, Maria do Céu Patrão Neves, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Franz Obermayr, Anna Záborská, Rareş-Lucian Niculescu and Elena Băsescu.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmström.

The debate closed.

### **15. Situation of migrants in Greece (debate)**

Council and Commission statements: Situation of migrants in Greece

Morten Bødskov (President-in-Office of the Council) made the statement.

IN THE CHAIR: Anni PODIMATA  
*Vice-President*

Cecilia Malmström (Member of the Commission) made the statement.

The following spoke: Marietta Giannakou, on behalf of the PPE Group, Sylvie Guillaume, on behalf of the S&D Group, Nathalie Griesbeck, on behalf of the ALDE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Georgios Papanikolaou, H el ene Flautre, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Monika Hohlmeier, who also replied to a blue-card question by Paul R ubig, Dimitrios Droutsas, who also replied to a blue-card question by Nikos Chrysogelos, Nikos Chrysogelos, Simon Busuttil, Georgios Papanikolaou and Emine Bozkurt.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Elena B asescu, Maria Eleni Koppa, Franziska Keller, Franz Obermayr and Salvatore Iacolino.

The following spoke: Cecilia Malmstr om and Morten B odskov.

The debate closed.

*(The sitting was suspended at 20.00 and resumed at 21.00.)*

IN THE CHAIR: Oldřich VLAS AK  
*Vice-President*

## **16. Draft amending budget no 1/2012: financing of ITER (debate)**

Report on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 1/2012 of the European Union for the financial year 2012, Section III – Commission [08136/2012 - C7-0088/2012- 2012/2011(BUD)] - Committee on Budgets. Rapporteur: Francesca Balzani (A7-0097/2012)

Francesca Balzani introduced the report.

The following spoke: Janusz Lewandowski (Member of the Commission).

The following spoke: Giovanni La Via, on behalf of the PPE Group, Edit Herczog, on behalf of the S&D Group, Carl Haglund, on behalf of the ALDE Group, Isabelle Durant, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group, who also replied to a blue-card question by Edit Herczog, Richard Ashworth, on behalf of the ECR Group, Marta Andreasen, on behalf of the EFD Group, Vladim ir Remek, on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group, Salvador Garriga Polledo, who also replied to a blue-card question by Isabelle Durant, Silvia-Adriana Țic au, Jacky H enin, Monika Hohlmeier and Gaston Franco.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Elena B asescu.

The following spoke: Janusz Lewandowski and Francesca Balzani.

The debate closed.

Vote: *minutes of 20.4.2012, item 10.1.*

## **17. Impact of the devolution of the Commission's management of external assistance on aid delivery (short presentation)**

Report on the impact of devolution of the Commission's management of external assistance from its headquarters to its delegations on aid delivery [2011/2192(INI)] - Committee on Development. Rapporteur: Filip Kaczmarek (A7-0056/2012)

Filip Kaczmarek made the presentation.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Elena Băsescu and João Ferreira.

The following spoke: Janusz Lewandowski.

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 20.4.2012, item 10.7.*

*(The sitting was suspended for a short time.)*

## **18. Modernising Europe's higher education systems (short presentation)**

Report on modernising Europe's higher education systems [2011/2294(INI)] - Committee on Culture and Education. Rapporteur: László Tőkés (A7-0057/2012)

László Tőkés made the presentation.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Milan Zver, Andrea Češková, Elena Băsescu, Miroslav Mikolášik, Marek Henryk Migalski, Inês Cristina Zuber, Iosif Matula, Katarína Neved'alová, Seán Kelly, Georgios Papanikolaou, Csanád Szegedi, Jaroslav Paška and Piotr Borys.

The following spoke: Janusz Lewandowski (Member of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 20.4.2012, item 10.2.*

## **19. A competitive digital single market - eGovernment as a spearhead (short presentation)**

Report on a competitive digital single market - eGovernment as a spearhead [2011/2178(INI)] - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. Rapporteur: Silvia-Adriana Țicău (A7-0083/2012)

Silvia-Adriana Țicău made the presentation.

The following spoke under the 'catch-the-eye' procedure: Georgios Papanikolaou, Elena Băsescu, Jaroslav Paška, Csanád Szegedi, Miroslav Mikolášik, Jean-Pierre Audy, Seán Kelly and Iosif Matula

The following spoke: Janusz Lewandowski (Member of the Commission).

The item closed.

Vote: *minutes of 20.4.2012, item 10.3.*

## **20. Agenda of the next sitting**

The agenda of the next day's sitting had been established ('Agenda' PE 483.920/OJVE).

## **21. Closure of the sitting**

The sitting closed at 22.40.

Klaus Welle

Jacek Protasiewicz







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The following signed:

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