Interim Agreement with Turkmenistan *


(Consultation procedure)

The European Parliament, 

— having regard to the proposal for a Council and Commission decision (COM(1998)0617),

— having regard to the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the European Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and Turkmenistan, of the other part (5144/1999),

— having regard to its resolution of 15 March 2001 on the situation in Turkmenistan¹,

— having regard to its resolution of 23 October 2003 on Turkmenistan, including Central Asia²,

— having regard to its resolution of 20 February 2008 on an EU Strategy for Central Asia³,

— having regard to Articles 133 and 300(2), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty,

— having regard to Article 300(3), first subparagraph, of the EC Treaty, pursuant to which the Council consulted Parliament (C5-0338/1999),

— having regard to Rules 51 and 83(7) of its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the report of the Committee on International Trade and the opinion of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (A6-0085/2006),

1. Approves the conclusion of the agreement;

2. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and the Commission, and the governments and parliaments of the Member States and of Turkmenistan.