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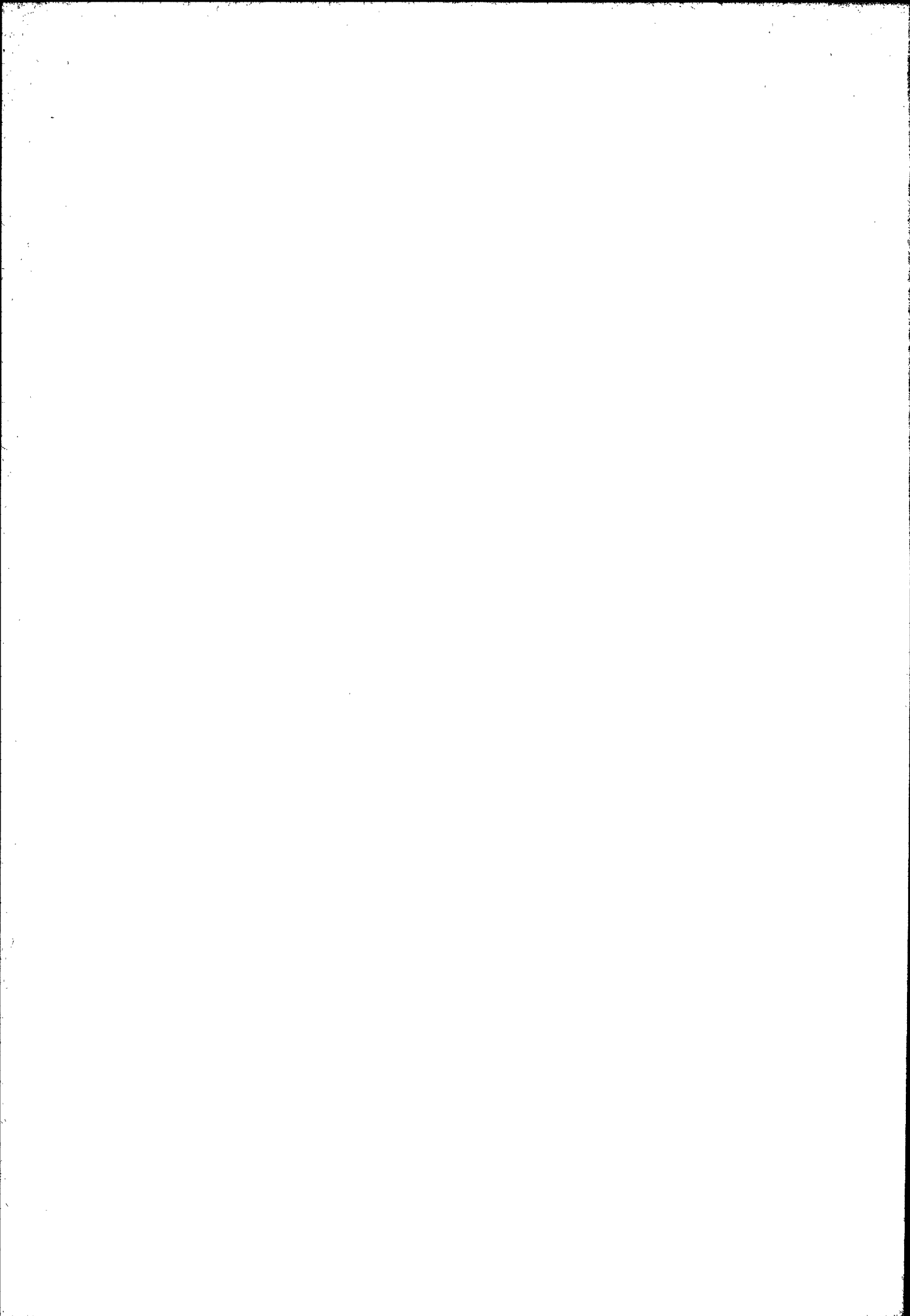
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## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision setting up a European Monetary Cooperation Fund

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 68 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 294/72);
  - having regard to the final communiqué of the Conference of Heads of State or Government held in Paris on 19 and 20 October 1972;
  - having regard to the report of the Economic Affairs Committee (Doc. 318/72);
1. Considers that the Fund should function independently of the Council;
  2. Is of the opinion that the importance of the Fund lies less in the functions set out in the Commission's proposal than in the possibilities of its development into a European Central Bank;
  3. Considers it necessary for the Fund to have wider powers and greater resources available so that it can exercise more influence on the development of monetary policy;
  4. Expects the report of 30 June 1973 on the adjustment of short-term monetary support measures and the conditions for step-by-step amalgamation of reserves to contain the proposal that Member States' central banks should deposit part of their currency reserves with the European Fund;
  5. Hopes that the Fund will develop a multi-currency system of intervention in European currency markets, and will act to ensure the stability of European currencies in relation to other major world currencies;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and the parliaments and governments of the Member States.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the European Parliament's opinion on the financial forecasts for the European Communities' budget for 1973, 1974 and 1975

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the forecasts of revenue and expenditure in the budget of the European Communities (COM (72) 1404/fin.);
- having been consulted by the Council of the European Communities on the financial forecasts, pursuant to the Council's Decision of 21 April 1970 (Doc. 257/72);
- having regard to the report of the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 319/72);



1. Regrets that the financial forecasts for the years 1973 to 1975 were not submitted until the budgetary procedure for 1973 had already been completed in Parliament, so that Parliament was unable to discuss the first budget of the enlarged Community in the light of the specified medium term objectives;
2. Is of the opinion that the estimated contribution of Value Added Tax to revenue for 1975 is based on a rate which is unrealistic. Current expenditure and a more up-to-date estimate of own resources in themselves suggest that more than 0.25 % of VAT will have to be set aside;
3. Rejects the policy of the Commission and Council whereby only those items of expenditure for which official proposals have been submitted to the Council are included in the forecasts, and urges that future forecasts should also include resources for activities with financial repercussions planned by the Commission;
4. Stresses that realistic financial forecasts assume greater importance from the fact that the Community is to enjoy full financial independence from 1975 onwards. This will enable Parliament to determine as precisely as possible the VAT contribution to own resources and, provided that the forecasts are extremely accurate, help to maintain the contribution at a fairly steady level;
5. Considers that it cannot give an opinion on the individual categories of expenditure, since they are already largely out-of-date;
6. Consequently welcomes the Commission's intention to submit a supplement correcting the financial forecasts when it makes the necessary amendments to take into account Norway's failure to join the Community;
7. Calls for the next pluri-annual financial forecasts to be submitted in good time;
8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the agreements negotiated between the Community and the EFTA Member and Associated States which have not applied to join the Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the following agreements signed on 22 July 1972 or initialled between the Community and the EFTA Member and Associated States which have not applied to join the Community:
  - Interim agreement between the EEC and the Republic of Austria;
  - Interim agreement between the ECSC Member States and the Republic of Austria;
  - Agreement between the EEC and the Swiss Confederation;
  - Agreement between the ECSC Member States and the Swiss Confederation;
  - Additional agreement on the validity in the Principality of Liechtenstein of the agreement concluded between the EEC and the Swiss Confederation on 22 July 1972;
  - Agreement between the EEC and the Kingdom of Sweden;
  - Agreement between the ECSC Member States and the ECSC on the one hand, and the Kingdom of Sweden on the other;
  - Agreement between the EEC and the Republic of Finland;

- Agreement between the ECSC Member States and the ECSC on the one hand and the Republic of Finland on the other;
- Agreement between the EEC and the Portuguese Republic;
- Agreement between the ECSC Member States and the ECSC on the one hand, and the Portuguese Republic on the other;
- Agreement between the EEC and the Republic of Iceland;
- Agreement between the ECSC Member States and the Republic of Iceland;
- having heard the statement made by the President in Office of the Council of the European Communities, on this subject on 20 September 1972;
- aware of the importance of these agreements to the enlarged Community and to international relations;
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinions of the Committee for Finance and Budgets, the Committee on Agriculture and the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 322/72);

1. Welcomes the fact that, in the process of its enlargement, the Community has completed negotiations which had been in progress for two years with the EFTA Member and Associated States which have not applied to join the Community, ie Austria, Finland, Iceland, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland, with a view to the creation of a common free trade area for industrial products between all the countries concerned, in principle by 1977;

*Principles and formal aspects of the agreements:*

2. Stresses that the abovementioned agreements — while making allowance for the present economic situation and requirements — establish clearer and more equitable trade relations which are beneficial to all the partners, while fully respecting the independent decision-making power of each contracting State and complying with the appropriate rules laid down in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade;
3. Reserves the right to consider at a later stage the institutional and procedural aspects, concerning in particular the European Parliament's participation in the formation and implementation by the Community of acts under international law, more especially those which have a bearing on the Community's own resources;
4. Calls upon the Commission of the European Communities to examine the problem of parliamentary ratification of the trade agreements signed by the Community and to make proposals on this subject by 31 December 1973;
5. Approves all the abovementioned Brussels agreements in so far as they affect the Community;
6. Invites the Parliaments of the nine Member States of the Community which are signatories to the ECSC/EFTA agreements, to ratify them at the earliest possible date;
7. Hopes that the appropriate bodies in those EFTA countries which have not ratified the agreements concluded with the Community will likewise complete in time the procedures necessary for them to be implemented by 1 April 1973;
8. Expresses the hope that the Republic of Finland will soon sign the agreements it has initialled which are an essential contribution to the desired aim of economic cooperation throughout the continent of Europe;

*Common or specific provisions of the agreements:*

9. Attaches from the outset great importance to the role of the mixed Joint Committees established to administer each of these agreements and — in certain jointly agreed and specified cases — to consider their possible extension to new areas;

10. Stresses the interest of the declaration of principle embodied in all the agreements, according to which the contracting parties will promote, while respecting their agricultural policies, the harmonious development of trade in agricultural products to which the agreements are not applicable;

11. Approves specifically the interim EEC and ECSC agreements signed with the Republic of Austria which provide for an initial reduction of tariffs by 30 % from the date of their entry into force;

12. Finds that the special provisions for agricultural or fishery products contained in the agreements with Portugal and Iceland are justified by the degree of Economic development and structure of exports from these two countries;

13. Hopes that the negotiations now under way between certain Member States and Iceland on problems raised by the measures taken by the latter country in the matter of fishing rights can soon be concluded in such a way as to enable the provisions of Protocol 6 annexed to the agreement between the EEC and Iceland to come into force on the scheduled date of 1 April 1973;

14. Believes that the slower removal of tariffs on paper products corresponds to the realities of the paper industry in the Community — the development of which should, if necessary be accompanied by social measures undertaken by the Community — but points out that this sector is of considerable importance to the stability of the Swedish and Austrian economies and vital to the Finnish economy;

*Norway:*

15. Hopes that the negotiations opened at the request of the Kingdom of Norway after the referendum of September 1972 with a view to the conclusion of an arrangement similar to the agreements signed with the other EFTA countries will be brought to a successful conclusion before the first tariff reduction of 20 % stipulated in these agreements takes effect on 1 April 1973, so as to guarantee a measure of harmony in the removal of tariffs;

16. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the appropriate authorities in the EFTA Member and Associated States.

**RESOLUTION**

**on the political situation in the Middle East**

*The European Parliament,*

- considering that the Member States of the European Community and the Community itself are particularly concerned that a peaceful settlement should be brought about as rapidly as possible in the Middle East;
- having regard to the general interest of the European Community in establishing itself as a force for peace and reconciliation, first and foremost in a nearby area — the Mediterranean — of vital importance to the security and prosperity of the peoples of the Community;
- considering that Resolution No 242 adopted by the Security Council in 1967 is an acceptable basis for seeking an equitable solution,
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 335/72)

1. Calls on the Governments of the Member States, having regard to the possibilities of Community action to bring about a peaceful settlement in the Middle East, to lay down a Community policy and appropriate instruments to be suitably used at the time judged most opportune; this Community policy must in particular include provisions for peaceful reconstruction, in the social and economic spheres, of the countries concerned;

2. Decides to forward this resolution to the Member States' Governments and to the Council and Commission of the Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Cyprus

*The European Parliament,*

- consulted on the basis of Articles 238 the texts establishing an Association between EEC and the Republic of Cyprus (Doc. 287/72);
  - considering the report of the Political Committee and the opinions of the Committee on External Economic Relations and of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 334/72);
  - noting the significance for both Cyprus and the Community of the signature of the Association Agreement between EEC and Cyprus;
1. Expresses its satisfaction concerning the strengthening of economic relations between the EEC and a Mediterranean state and approves the Agreement;
  2. Underlines the need for the Association to benefit the Cypriot population without discrimination, as laid down in Article 5 of the Agreement;
  3. Considers it desirable to explore the most appropriate way in which parliamentary contacts can be established between Cyprus and the European Parliament as required under the Annex to the Agreement and instructs its Political Committee to study this question and to report back to it;
  4. Requests its President to transmit the present resolution to the Cypriot Parliament, to the Parliaments of the Member States of the Community, and to the Government of Cyprus and to the Council and to the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the consequences of the enlargement of the European Community for its relations with the Mediterranean countries

*The European Parliament:*

- recalling its resolution of 9 February 1971, on the trade policy of the Community towards the Mediterranean countries <sup>(1)</sup> in which it recommended, in particular:
    - the improvement of the organization of Mediterranean production and markets;
    - joint action by the Six on the basis of a coherent overall approach,
    - the promotion of an active development policy,
- and invited the Executives to submit to it the definition of the objectives and instruments of an overall policy,
- emphasizing the sustained interest which it takes, for obvious political reasons, in the strengthening of relations between the Community and the contracting Mediterranean countries,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 19, 1. 3. 1971, pp. 15 and 16.

- convinced that, by the promotion of trade and by cooperation in development, the Community as a multi-national unit is in a better position than anyone to make an essential contribution to the establishment of a zone of peaceful co-existence, freedom and progress around the Mediterranean,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinions of the Political Affairs Committee, the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee for the Association with Greece, the Committee for the Association with Turkey and the Committee on Relations with the Associated African States and Madagascar (doc. 302/72),

1. Hopes that the policy of association agreements and trade agreements between the Community and the contracting Mediterranean countries will be pursued and developed in the light of the special characteristics of each of these countries;

*A. On the subject of action already undertaken*

- 2. Expects the Commission and Council to complete in good time the legal and technical adjustments necessitated by the enlargement to ensure continuity of the agreements;
- 3. Welcomes the recent signature of an agreement of association with Cyprus;
- 4. Notes with satisfaction the conclusion of preferential trade agreements with the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Lebanese Republic;
- 5. Emphasizes the particular interest of the parallel negotiations with Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia with a view to establishing new agreements with a wider scope, including in addition to preferential arrangements for trade, provisions for economic, financial and technical cooperation and provisions dealing with employment;
- 6. Also considers that the forthcoming renewal of the agreement signed with Yugoslavia and the talks conducted with Malta should afford the occasion for an extension of these agreements to new fields of cooperation;

*B. On the subject of action to be undertaken*

- 7. Is happy to note that its recommendations for the definition of a common policy covering all aspects of relations between the Community and the Mediterranean countries <sup>(1)</sup> have been followed by the Commission and by the Council in their work on a 'global approach' including both the liberalization of trade and cooperation in development;
- 8. Fully approves such a global approach to a Community Mediterranean policy, coherent in its principles, but adjusted in the light of the special situation of each of the countries concerned;

*Matters of principle:*

- 9. Calls upon the Commission and Council to work out this Mediterranean policy — which the European Parliament was the first to advocate — in close cooperation with it as the representative body of the peoples of the Community;
- 10. Solemnly and firmly reasserts
  - that the European Community and its Member States are based on the specific and indispensable foundations of parliamentary democracy and respect for human rights and public freedoms;

(<sup>1</sup>) See abovementioned Resolution, paragraph 4.

-- that only European countries with comparable systems of government, institutions, and political ideals and goals can conclude with the Community association agreements leading ultimately to full membership;

11. Considers it necessary for all Member States to display solidarity in order to ensure that both the advantages and the burdens which may result from the implementation of a joint Mediterranean policy are fairly shared and to solve the difficulties which may arise in the agricultural regions more directly concerned, particularly by the execution of a Community policy of regional development;

*Matters of political and economic strategy:*

12. Hopes that the work undertaken, in the context of their regular consultations, by the Foreign Ministers of the Member States of the Community with a view to harmonizing the external policies of Member States towards the Mediterranean countries <sup>(1)</sup> will be speeded up and lead rapidly to favourable results;

13. Considers that the Community should continue to promote the development of trade in the Mediterranean area by means of reciprocal tariff and quota measures which would allow the progressive establishment of either a free trade area or a customs union;

14. Believes it desirable for these objectives to be attained within time-limits not less than those adopted in the agreements with the EFTA countries which have not applied to join, while noting the magnitude of the effort which the Community is called upon to make, especially in the agricultural sector, where a periodic review is necessary to readjust the content of reciprocal concessions;

15. Hopes that cooperation in the development of the Mediterranean countries will be intensified by action in the sphere of technical and financial assistance and that it will be of very special benefit to the least advanced countries of this region and will afford them immediate prospects of diversifying their production;

16. Recommends that the Commission and the Council should follow a common policy on relations with Mediterranean third countries which are oil producers, refiners or exporters, with the twofold aim of economic and social development of those countries and of greater security of the Community's oil supplies;

17. Invites all the authorities concerned to pursue their efforts to improve the living and working conditions of migrant workers who are nationals of contracting Mediterranean countries and who are employed in the Community;

18. Proposes that the Commission and the Council should study the possibility of convening commercial and economic 'round tables' of all the contracting Mediterranean countries with a view to effective concerted action on questions of common interest such as, for example, agricultural production and trade, product by product, industrialization and land use planning, water policy, pollution control, highways and communications, tourist infrastructure, regrouping in regional or sub-regional units;

19. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its appropriate committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the competent authorities of the contracting Mediterranean States.

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<sup>(1)</sup> See abovementioned Resolution, paragraph 5.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive on mutual assistance for the recovery of sums paid in error in connection with the common agricultural policy, and of agricultural levies and customs duties

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1578 final and final 2);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 278/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee for Finance and Budgets and the opinions of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 337/72);
1. Welcomes the proposed directive which will facilitate the recovery of sums paid in error in connection with the common agricultural policy and of unpaid agricultural levies and customs duties;
  2. Is of the opinion that, because of the Community character of the expenditure and revenue that may give rise to the claims referred to in this proposed directive and because of the need to ensure equal treatment for all national and legal persons in the Community, provisions on mutual assistance for the recovery of these sums should be adopted at Community level;
  3. Considers however that this proposal must be amended in particular in order to define certain concepts more clearly and throw into greater relief the Community character of agricultural expenditure and of the revenue accruing from levies and customs duties;
  4. Invites the Commission to endorse the amendments set out below, pursuant to Article 149 of the Treaty;
  5. Requests furthermore that the Council adopt without delay the implementing measures provided for in Article 13 which are indispensable to the implementation of the directive covered by this proposal;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the duty-free entry within the enlarged Community of small consignments of Community goods of a non-commercial character

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the Communities (COM (72) 1659 final);
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 282/72-II);
- having regard to the report of the Committee for Finance and Budgets and the opinion of the Economic Affairs Committee (Doc. 338/72);

1. Welcomes the submission on this proposal for a regulation which is intended to implement the terms of the customs union between the nine Member States in the case of small consignments of goods of a non-commercial character and supplements the existing tax provisions;
2. Considers that the provisions of this regulation will bring home to the citizens of the nine Member States in a practical way the reality of the Community;
3. Approves the proposal for a regulation;
4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the statistics of the Community's external trade and of trade between the Member States

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 833 final),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 236/72),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 317/72),

1. Approves the European Commission's proposal;
2. Requests its President to forward this resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the creation of a Community uranium enrichment capacity

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 693 def.);
- having been consulted by the Council on its own initiative (Doc. 213/72),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Atomic Problems (Doc. 296/72);
- calling particular attention to its previous resolutions on common energy policy and more especially that on the possibility of ensuring adequate supplies of energy for the Community at all times so as to guarantee, promote and develop the competitiveness of the Community on the world market, which is a precondition for economic growth, full employment and a progressive social policy <sup>(1)</sup>;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.



1. Recalls the need for the European Community to ensure that its fuel requirements arising from the foreseeable development of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes can be met;
2. Welcomes the fact that the Commission of the Communities has submitted to the Council a proposal outlining the way in which this aim might be achieved, bearing in mind the necessity for a decision to be taken by the end of 1974 regarding a common strategy for enriched uranium supplies;
3. Believes that the Community should take the initiative in this field by promoting the creation of Community uranium enrichment facilities, and in so doing should have regard to developments already in train within the Community;
4. Expresses the hope that within the shortest possible time cooperation at Community level will be established between the parties interested in the enrichment of uranium, so as to enable objective data to be laid down concerning the different techniques of isotope separation of uranium, bearing in mind the fact that such data is necessary for decisions to be taken with a full knowledge of the facts;
5. Expects such cooperation to include the coordination of action and investments for the achievement of a capacity for enriching uranium within the Community;
6. Urges again that no decision on this subject be taken unless a political determination exists at Community level to establish a common energy policy;
7. In this connection welcomes the section on 'Energy' contained in the final Communiqué of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the enlarged Community issued in Paris on 21 October 1972;
8. Requests that in future the Commission of the Communities itself propose that the European Parliament be consulted in similar cases rather than leave the initiative to the Council;
9. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the European Parliament's Opinion on the proposal for a regulation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the coordination of agricultural research

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1587 def.);
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 279/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the opinions of the Committee on Energy, Research and Atomic Problems and the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 329/72);
1. Supports, in its main lines, the initiative taken by the Commission for creating suitable machinery to enable the research potential of Member States to be harnessed to the needs and general interests of the Community as a whole, with a view to implementing the common agricultural policy and attaining the objectives of Article 39 of the EEC Treaty;
  2. Approves the broad lines of the proposal for a regulation under consideration, as regards both permanent measures and the possibility envisaged of taking specific measures backed by Community funds;

3. Asks that consultation of the European Parliament should be compulsory both for determining the specific measures and for decisions on the Community's financial participation;
4. Considers it advisable that the contemplated report by the Commission to the European Parliament and to the Council on the coordination of agricultural research be presented each year and that it should contain details of the measures taken to ensure that the research findings are given the widest possible publicity;
5. Invites the Commission of the European Communities, pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty, to take over the following amendments;
6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and to the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 827/68 and Regulations No 1009/67/EEC, No (EEC) 950/68 and No (EEC) 2358/71

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1386 fin);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 274/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 315/72),
1. Approves in general the Commission's proposal;
  2. Requests the Commission, however, to incorporate the following amendment in its proposal pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on production subsidies which the United Kingdom is authorized to retain for certain agricultural products

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 259/final);
- having been consulted by the Council on the provisions for implementing Article 54 of the Act concerning the Conditions of Accession and the Adjustments to the Treaties (Doc. 316/72);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 326/72);

1. Notes that this regulation lays down the provisions for implementing Article 54 of the Act concerning the Conditions of Accession of the new Member States, and approves this proposal from the Commission;
2. Points out, however, that market arrangements exist for certain agricultural products in the United Kingdom for which the Community has not yet set up any market organization and therefore once more urges the Commission to submit appropriate proposals on these products as soon as possible;
3. Requests the Commission to inform the European Parliament in good time each year of developments in the prices guaranteed by the United Kingdom;
4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the explanatory statement to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on a regulation amending Regulation No 79/65/EEC as regards the field of survey and number of returning holdings to be included in the farm accountancy data network of the European Economic Community

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1771 final);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 281/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the opinion of the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 327/72);
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Stresses the importance of the EEC's farm accountancy data network whose creation has made it possible, for the first time, to have a clear picture of the incomes of the various categories of agricultural holding;
  3. Hopes that in addition to the basic data it provides, but which is mainly of long-term interest, the network can also be developed into a source of up-to-date information to which reference would be made whenever decisions had to be taken on agricultural commodity prices;
  4. Requests the Commission therefore to do everything it can to speed up the presentation of results and, as far as possible, to keep these up to date by collecting information each year in the returning holdings in respect of yields and prices for the current marketing year;
  5. Invites the Commission moreover to take coordinated accounting years as its reference base for the Community as a whole and to select a date of commencement and termination of this accounting year which will enable comparisons to be made, in particular with the results of the general agricultural accounts;
  6. Urges the Commission to present each year to Parliament, at the same time as to the Council, the principal results of the accountancy data network;
  7. Invites the Commission to endorse the following amendment pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its Committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision on measures against foot-and-mouth disease

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 80 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 314/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Public Health and to the opinions of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 325/72)
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Urges the Commission, however, to submit its report on implementation of the decision not only to the Council but also to the European Parliament;
  3. Requests the Commission to ensure, within the scope of the supervision, stipulated in Article 2 of the funds made available that these funds are used as effectively and rationally as possible;
  4. Urges the Council once again, pursuant to the European Parliament's resolution of 19 January 1973 , to adopt *without delay* the decision on action to protect Community livestock against foot-and-mouth disease;
  5. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendment in its proposal pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the supply of sugar to UNRWA as food aid pursuant to the Agreement with that agency dated 18 December 1972

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 345),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 341/72),
  - having regard to the report of its Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 342/72),
1. Approves the supply of the second and last instalment of food aid to UNRWA in the form of sugar, in accordance with the Agreement concluded with that agency in 1972 <sup>(1)</sup>;
  2. Approves the proposal from the Commission;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 304, 31. 12. 1972.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive concerning the harmonization of provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action in respect of outward processing

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 146/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 336/72);
1. Endorses the Commission's proposal;
  2. Takes this opportunity of stressing the economic importance of outward processing traffic for effective labour distribution; between countries inside and outside the Community;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 113, 29. 10. 1972, p. 10.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission to the Council on the first measures of a common approach to air transport

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 134/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Transport Committee (Doc. 195/72) and its supplementary report (Doc. 328/72);
  - whereas;
    - (a) European air transport does not now measure up to all the requirements of the market;
    - (b) the airlines are in economic difficulties which are due, *inter alia*, to the fact that technology is advancing by leaps and bounds so that often, because of keen competition, reasonable provision cannot be made for the depreciation of equipment, and to the absence of adequate capacity control;
    - (c) it is to be feared that the growing deficits may fall on the shoulders of the taxpayer;
1. Reaffirms the view it has already put forward a number of times that a common European air transport policy will have to be developed as an integral part of the common transport policy;
  2. Calls, therefore, upon the Council of the European Communities to carry out the tasks falling to it in the sphere of air transport and apply Article 84 (2) of the EEC Treaty;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 110, 18. 10. 1972, p. 6.

3. Considers that the aim of a common air transport policy must be to create a more efficient European air service, improving not only technical but also operational and commercial cooperation and performance.
4. Considers that a thorough investigation should be carried out at Community level into current bilateral agreements on land rights;
5. Trusts that an effort will soon be made along the lines indicated in paragraphs 3 and 4 to achieve the essential minimum of rationalization in the technical, operational and commercial aspects of European air transport, by forging ahead with efforts already made in this field, notably:
  - (a) standardization of European air services;
  - (b) support for the efforts being made by the airlines to standardize their regulations covering particular types of aircraft;
  - (c) adding circular air routes to two-way routes, at the same time improving the flight scheduling system with the aid of mathematical models;
  - (d) laying down a European flight scheduling system embracing both international routes of airlines operating outside Europe but making stop-overs on European territory, and European and domestic air transport;
  - (e) promoting the introduction of routes linking up regions on the borders of Member States by making more generous grants of landing rights of regional significance;
  - (f) using a common system of capacity control, which should under certain conditions also cover charter flights, so as to safeguard the future of airline transport;
6. Stresses that however the remedies proposed are applied they should not only serve to promote technical and operational efficiency but also largely contribute to giving passengers better and, if possible, cheaper service and to improving the economic position of air companies, particularly as regards scheduled services;
7. Urges that studies should be undertaken at Community level to discover how the European air network can be organized more efficiently than at present;
8. Considers that even after the breakdown of the Air Union Project the retention of the present number of air companies must not be made an irreversible condition when assessing the scope for reorganization;
9. Trusts that, in furtherance of the aims referred to, advantage will be taken of the opportunities afforded by existing international organizations, especially the International Air Transport Association (IATA) and the European Civil Aviation Conference (ECAC), in order to make the necessary contacts with other European countries that are not in the Community;
10. Considers that the European States must adopt a common standpoint on safety and cooperate more closely and in a more practical way with a view to:
  - (a) standardizing systems for the control of upper and lower airspace by making common use of Eurocontrol facilities;
  - (b) bringing current efforts to prevent acts of sabotage and hijacking rapidly to a successful conclusion, particularly by giving effect to the international agreements signed in Tokyo in September 1963, at The Hague in December 1970 and in Montreal in September 1971, and by harmonizing efforts to create more effective means for implementing the provisions of these agreements at international level;
  - (c) bringing air transport steadily more and more into line with the needs of environmental protection, ensuring in the process, by harmonizing provisions at Community level, that the conditions of competition are not distorted and that a reasonable balance between the interests of air transport and of the aircraft industry and environmental protection requirements is achieved;

11. Calls also for a common approach by Member States within the Community towards
- (a) the harmonization of legal provisions affecting air transport;
  - (b) the promotion of cooperation in research and development in the aircraft industry;
  - (c) facilitating customs clearance at airports;
  - (d) working out a common line on ratemaking policy within existing international organizations, linking up rate-making policy with capacity policy;
  - (e) working out common rules for charter flights;
  - (f) working out a common policy on air transport infrastructures;
12. Is firmly of the opinion that the European Parliament must be consulted regularly, in accordance with the spirit and letter of the EEC Treaty, on any measures that may be proposed by the Commission and enacted by the Council of the European Communities;
13. Approves the Commission proposal;
14. Requests the Commission, however, to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal, in accordance with Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
15. Requests its President to forward this resolution and the report and supplementary report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the report by the Commission of the European Communities on the development of the social situation in the Community in 1972

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report by the Commission of the European Communities on the development of the social situation in the Community in 1972 (Doc. 2/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 4/73);
1. Welcomes the marked improvement over previous reports that it has noted in the presentation of the report by the Commission of the European Communities on the development of the social situation and in particular the inclusion of three new features;
- 'social pointers',
  - a special section giving a brief survey of the development of the social situation in the three new Member States,
  - a policy section dealing with the broad trends noted in the social fields;

*In regard to the most important achievements in 1972:*

2. Expresses its satisfaction at the entry into force on 1 May 1972 of the new provisions of the European Social Fund, which has already proved to be a first-rate instrument for assuring the success of an overall social policy;
3. Approves the entry into force on 1 October 1972 of the new social security arrangements for migrant workers which after adaptations to bring social security legislation in the three new Member States into line, should be applied throughout the enlarged Community from 1 April 1973;
4. Underlines the great importance of the Paris Summit Conference in October 1972 as the outstanding and decisive event for the social future of the enlarged Community, since the Heads of State or of Government emphasized that they attached 'as much importance to vigorous action in the social field as to the achievement of the Economic and Monetary Union' and invited the Institutions to draw up between now and 1 January 1974 a programme aimed at carrying out a coordinated policy on employment and vocational training, improving working and living conditions, ensuring the collaboration of workers in the organs of undertakings, facilitating the conclusion of European collective agreements based on the situation in the various countries, and strengthening and coordinating measures for the protection of consumers;
5. Considers that this social stimulus in the Community is all the more necessary and urgent in view of the fact that during 1972, despite the progress made in some respects, certain problems such as unemployment, especially among young people, inflation and rising prices grew worse, and it was found that the Community authorities did not have sufficient resources to counter these trends and other already perceptible signs of social deterioration;

*In regard to the activities of the European Commission:*

6. Welcomes the large number of measures taken in 1972 by the European Commission, and in particular the many social proposals it has submitted, such as those on the representation of workers on the boards of limited companies, mass redundancies, conflicts of laws, vocational training, statistics on migrant workers, the European social budget, etc.;
7. Approves the political will shown by the European Commission and trusts that it will persevere in order to accomplish the difficult tasks that will face it in 1973;

*In regard to the formulation of the new social programme:*

8. Considers that as a 'Community institution' it should participate in the preparation of the social programme and in particular should take part in the conference with the two sides of industry at which the foundations for a Community programme of action will be laid;
9. Is of the opinion that, on the basis of the priorities already set out in the 'Preliminary guidelines for a Community social policy programme', this programme should lay down a coherent policy combined with adequate measures to ensure that it is fully effective;
10. Underlines, among the most important points to be included in the new programme:
  - achieving full and better employment;
  - improving the quality of life;
  - implementing a Community vocational training policy, especially for young workers;



- housing;
- low-cost holidays for workers;
- wages and incomes policy;
- improving standards of protection against industrial accidents and coordinating, at European level, research into their causes;
- developing, in establishments and firms, structures based on increased worker participation;

11. Points to the difficulties that this programme will encounter when the time comes to move from statements of principle to practical action, and in particular the weak legal bases provided by the Treaties if recourse is not had to Article 235, the absence of a genuine political will, dissension within the Council and the differences of opinion regarding the division of responsibilities between Member States, the two sides of industry and the Community institutions;

12. Urges the Commission and the Council to do their utmost to solve these difficulties;

13. Urges the Commission to take all the measures necessary to implement Articles 119 of the Treaty, which establishes the principle that men and women should receive equal pay for equal work, and in its new programme to give the same opportunities and consideration to women as to men;

14. Requests its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

concerning the protection of the fundamental rights of Member States' citizens when Community law is drafted

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Lautenschlager on behalf of the Socialist Group (Doc. 103/71);
- having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 297/72);

1. Invites the Commission of the European Communities when drafting regulations, directives and decisions, to prevent conflicts from arising with national constitutional law and to examine in particular how the fundamental rights of Member States' citizens may be safeguarded;

2. Invites the Commission, furthermore, to submit to it a report as to how it intends, in the creation and development of European law, to prevent any infringement of the basic rights embodied in the constitutions of Member States, the principles of which represent the philosophical, political and juridical basis common to the Community's Member States;

3. Stresses the need to make the European Court more widely accessible to the individual citizen;

4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its Committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the second report of the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the possibilities and difficulties facing Member States regarding the ratification of a first list of agreements concluded within the framework of other international organizations

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report of the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (SEC (72) 2147 final),
  - having regard to the provisions of Articles 117 and 118 of the EEC Treaty,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Health Protection (Doc. 289/72),
1. Draws attention to its resolutions of 14 May 1963 <sup>(1)</sup> concerning the European Social Charter of the Council of Europe, and of 2 July 1968 <sup>(2)</sup> on the possibilities and difficulties facing Member States regarding the ratification of a first list of agreements concluded within the framework of other international organizations;
  2. Is delighted that the Commission has continued to pay close attention to the problem of ratification of ILO and Council of Europe agreements;
  3. Welcomes the fact that, following Parliament's resolution and the Commission's proposal, certain Member States proceeded to ratify some of the specified agreements;
  4. Regrets, however, that by 1 January 1973, only one of the nine Member States of the Community, Italy, had ratified all the ILO agreements in question and the European Social Charter;
  5. Regrets, in particular, that twelve years after its signing at Turin by all the nations now Member States of the Community, the European Social Charter still has not been ratified by Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands;
  6. Invites the refractory Member States to ratify without delay at least part of the European Social Charter, leaving the rest to be dealt with at a later date;
  7. Looks to the Commission to enable both sides of industry to formulate their observations on its reports and proposals to the Council, as they were involved in the preparation of the agreements concerned;
  8. Awaits the presentation as soon as possible of the Commission's promised supplementary report on the ratification by Member States of the European Social Security Code and ILO agreements Nos. 118 and 121;
  9. Invites its members to join forces with the Members of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe and their colleagues in national parliaments with a view to calling to account the governments responsible for delays in tabling Bills for ratification and to ensuring that once they have been ratified the agreements are really translated into implementing legislation;
  10. Requests the Commission to draw up proposed recommendations with a view to promoting the harmonization of the legislation of Member States whose provisions go beyond the minimum norms laid down in international conventions;
  11. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No 84, 4. 6. 1963, p. 1577/63.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 72, 19. 7. 1968.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on Community relations with the USSR and COMECON**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the debate on Oral Question No 1/73 concerning Community relations with the USSR and COMECON,
  - having regard to the political importance of this matter,
1. Stresses the need for this matter to be studied in greater detail on the basis of a report to be drawn up by the appropriate committee;
  2. Instructs the appropriate committee to undertake this task.

**RESOLUTION**

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for

- I. a regulation introducing special measures temporarily applicable to officials and establishment staff of the Commission of the European Communities paid from research and investment funds;
- II. a regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 260/68 of 29 February 1968, laying down the conditions and procedure for applying the tax for the benefit of the European Communities;
- III. a regulation amending Council Regulation (Euratom, ECSC, EEC) No 549/69, determining the categories of officials and other servants of the European Communities to whom the provisions of Articles 12, the second paragraph of Article 13 and Article 14 of the Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the Communities apply.

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1549 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 24 of the Treaty establishing a Single Council and a Single Commission of the European Communities (Doc. 277/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and the opinion of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 22/73),
1. Regrets that the decisions taken by the Council on a multi-year research and training programme involve a reduction in the number of posts listed in the establishment plan for which payment is made from the research and investment funds of the EAEC;
  2. Points out that any encroachment on the permanency of the European civil service, and the uncertainty which has, in recent years, beset the Communities' nuclear research programme, inevitably lead to an impoverishment of intellectual and human potential, to the detriment of European unification;
  3. Is of the opinion, as stated in its resolution of 10 October 1972, that measures definitively terminating employment should not only be of limited duration and treated as an exception, but also normally applied only to those officials who have requested that their employment be terminated;

4. Is also of the opinion that the proposal for a regulation should be completed by provision for the possibility of re-employment after retraining, such provision being in the interests both of the employees concerned and of the Community;
5. Cannot regard as acceptable a provision whereby a beneficiary of a retraining scheme will be required to repay the costs of the training if he leaves the Community within five years of his being retrained, since such a provision is contrary to the principle of freedom of movement, disadvantageous to the individuals concerned in that it restricts their prospects of re-employment, and cannot be considered an appropriate way of helping to safeguard and use the Community's scientific potential.
6. Views the proposals for regulations not simply as a social plan but rather as a necessary step to bring the provisions for staff paid out of the research and investment funds into line with the provisions proposed on 4 December 1972 for other staff;
7. Believes, however, that it will be necessary in the interests of more equitable treatment to incorporate the following modifications which it requests the Commission to endorse, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its appropriate committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on European political cooperation and unification**

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling the Report of 27 October 1970 (Doc. 155/70) by the Ministers of Foreign Affairs to the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the Community and in particular the decision (part one, section 8) that when policies already introduced or to be introduced are implemented, parallel developments must take place in the political order as such, bringing us nearer to the moment when the countries of Europe will speak as one;
- referring to the resolution on the political future of the European Communities (Doc. 118/70) <sup>(1)</sup> adopted by the European Parliament on 7 October 1970 and to its resolutions of 5 July and 15 November 1972 concerning the Paris Summit Conference (Docs. 73/72 and 194/72) <sup>(2)</sup>;
- recalling the previous report of its Political Affairs Committee on the communication from the President-in-Office of the Council to the European Parliament (Doc. 88/71);
- stressing that the building of European union is the main prerequisite for closer integration in the Community cohesion and thus for achieving tangible results in all other fields;
- taking note of the undertakings given by the Member States at the Paris Summit Conference, particularly that the Foreign Ministers should submit, before 30 June 1973, new proposals for closer political cooperation as a step towards European union;
- anxious to play its part in exploring the issues covered in this report;
- stressing that cooperation in the field of external relations is an important step towards the political union envisaged in Paris;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 129, 26. 10. 1970, p. 16.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 82, 26. 7. 1972, p. 26; OJ No C 129, 11. 12. 1972, p. 25.

- having regard to the close links existing between the political and economic aspects of European unification and to the need it sees for a converging organization of activities in these fields;
  - considering that the existence of the European Community as such is seen throughout the world as an important factor in international politics, and that its policies, its action and even its inactivity can have immediate political consequences at international level;
  - stressing that by reason of its inherent capacities and its economic and trading potential, the enlarged Community has greater responsibilities towards other countries and must show greater cohesion in its action in the field of external relations;
  - having regard to the report of its Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 12/73);
1. Welcomes the decision taken at the Paris Conference to hold meetings of the Foreign Ministers from now on four times a year;
  2. Requests that each of these meetings be immediately followed by a colloquy between the Ministers and the Political Affairs Committee;
  3. Stresses that the decisions taken at the Paris summit conference concerning the application of Article 235 of the EEC Treaty constitute a basis for new Community activities;
  4. Considers that decisions for implementing Articles 235 require the agreement of the European Parliament;
  5. Is of the opinion that the report which the Foreign Ministers are to submit before 30 June of this year,
    - a) should contain a more detailed description of the part a democratic and independent Europe could and should play in the world; and
    - b) should, with a view to establishing European union by 1980, indicate ways of ensuring closer links between the process of foreign policy cooperation and Community structures which are to be strengthened;
  6. Considers that cooperation in the foreign policy sphere must eventually take into account defence and security policy;
  7. a) Points out that in the view of the European Parliament any secretariat set up to prepare the meetings of the Foreign Ministers ought not to encroach upon the powers of the Community institutions, and should be set up in such a way as to create a close organizational link between Community activities and the tasks to be performed in the field of foreign policy;
    - b) Considers that such a secretariat should be installed at the Secretariat of the Council;
  8. Requests that the Commission of the European Communities
    - a) be fully associated at all levels in the Foreign Ministers' work in the field of European political cooperation and unification;
    - b) has a right of initiative and to make proposals whenever a decision must be taken or the Community's position determined within the framework of meetings of the Foreign Ministers held to discuss political cooperation;
  9. Considers it essential that the European Parliament make use of the right of initiative to study important foreign policy issues and to make proposals on common policy lines for Member States, and that deliberations on these matters should be held in the presence of members of the Council and of the European Commission; the relevant resolutions of the European Parliament should be examined and commented upon by the Foreign Ministers;
  10. Requests its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments of the Member States.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for

- I. regulations fixing prices for certain agricultural products and certain related measures
- II. regulations on certain measures to be taken in agriculture in view of developments in the international monetary situation

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 445 final and COM (73) 453 final);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 14/73);
  - having regard to the debate held on Thursday, 5 April 1973;
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 24/73);
1. Requests the Commission of the European Communities to reconsider its proposed regulations;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation on the introduction of Community contracts

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 710 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 130/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the opinion of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 10/73);
1. Welcomes the Commission's initiative and considers that the implementation of the proposal for a regulation under consideration will contribute to the balanced economic development that is a necessary precondition for the attainment of economic and monetary union;
  2. Considers it necessary to facilitate cooperation between European industries and promote the movement of goods within the Community's territory;
  3. Considers that the period of five years, laid down in Article 15 of the proposal for a regulation under consideration, is too long and asks for it to be reduced to three years;
  4. Believes that the guarantees to be given by undertakings benefiting from Community contracts have not been defined precisely enough in the proposal for a regulation, and considers that the EIB may have to obtain the guarantees most suited to each individual case and define them specifically in the contracts;

5. Considers that recourse to the provisions of Article 4 for initiatives in the public interest authorizing finance up to 100 % of the development costs should continue to be limited to exceptional cases, as should the provision allowing the financing of operations confined to a single Community country;
6. Considers that, where undertakings benefiting from Community contracts have difficulty in exploiting results, the European Investment Bank should lay down contractual conditions for liquidating property acquired by these undertakings in carrying out the initiatives based on the contracts;
7. Asks that the sum of 20 million u. a. provided by the Commission in its preliminary draft budget for financing Community contracts be re-entered in the budget for 1973;
8. Welcomes the decision to make Article 235 of the Treaty the legal basis of the proposal for a regulation under consideration;
9. Approves the Commission's proposal for a regulation, subject to the Commission's adoption of the following amendments pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
10. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

##### on the consequences of the drought in Africa

*The European Parliament,*

- deeply concerned by the present acute drought in Africa which, in the opinion of the FAO experts, directly endangers the lives of 6 million people in the Sahelian region;
  - aware of the urgent need for the Community to assist these peoples with which it is linked by strong and long-standing ties of friendship;
1. Requests the Council and the Commission of the European Communities to do everything in their power to step up and coordinate aid to the countries threatened by this terrible famine;
  2. Stresses the particular urgency of the steps to be taken and especially, in view of the rainy season, the need to despatch rapidly to the interior of the African Continent the first consignments of aid at present immobilized in the harbours;
  3. Conveys to the populations afflicted by this scourge its heartfelt sympathy and pledges them its active and sustained support;
  4. Instructs its Committee on Development and Cooperation to submit before the close of the present part-session specific proposals with regard to the assistance to be given as a matter of priority;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive concerning the approximation of Member States' legislation on safety glass for use in motor vehicles

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 144/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 13/73);
1. Congratulates the committee on the intense efforts it is devoting to the harmonization of legislation so as to eliminate distortions of competition and protect human life and health;
  2. Approves the Commission's proposal as a whole;
  3. Urges the committee, however, to consider bringing forward to 1974 the date laid down in the proposal for a Directive for the harmonization of Member States' legislation, having regard to the production capacity of the glass industry;
  4. Hopes that the dates fixed will be strictly observed, especially in Member States which still have numerous roads with gravel surfaces, a frequent cause of motor vehicle windscreen breakages;
  5. Invites the Commission to prepare, where appropriate, proposals for directives similar to the present one for three-wheeled vehicles and vehicles running on rails, tractors, and agricultural machinery and also wheeled equipment used for public works;
  6. Invites the Commission to prepare as soon as possible a proposal for a directive for harmonizing national regulations on the fitting of safety glass in motor vehicles, bearing in mind that fitting techniques may have a considerable influence on personal safety;
  7. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 119, 16. 11. 1972, p. 21.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for

- I. a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on radio interference caused by domestic electrical appliances, portable power tools and similar devices
- II. a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on radio interference caused by fluorescent lighting tubes

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(72) 853/fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 133/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Opinion of the Economic Affairs Committee (Doc. 340/72);
1. Welcomes the start which has been made on the harmonization of Member States' legal and administrative Regulations on radio interference, thereby removing the obstacles to intra-Community trade resulting from different legal provisions in the Member States;
  2. Observes that the purpose of these proposals for harmonization is to define maximum permissible limits for interference caused by the apparatus in question on the one hand and methods of measuring this interference on the other;
  3. Recalls the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup> for a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on electrical equipment for use within specific voltage limits, within the framework of which it is agreed that provisions of radio interference shall be harmonized in subsequent Directives, and on which the European Parliament delivered its Opinion on 28 November 1968 <sup>(2)</sup>;
  4. Notes that this Directive was very recently adopted by the Council;
  5. Draws attention to the General Programme of 28 May 1969 for the removal of technical obstacles to trade resulting from differences in Member States legislation <sup>(3)</sup> the third phase of which covers the area affected by the present proposals;
  6. Notes with surprise and regret:
    - (a) that the Council has taken four years to adopt the Directive referred to in paragraph 3,
    - (b) that the proposals in question have been put forward with a delay of two and a half years on the dates stipulated in the General Programme referred to in paragraph 5;
  7. Observes that the two Draft Directives concerned constitute a part of a total of four proposals to be submitted by the Commission in the field of radio interference;
  8. Notes with satisfaction that the two remaining proposals are to be submitted in the near future;
  9. Agrees to the application of Article 100 of the EEC Treaty as the legal basis for both Draft Directives;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 91, 13. 9. 1968.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 135, 14. 12. 1968.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 76, 17. 6. 1969.

10. Is pleased that the system of complete harmonization has been followed in these Draft Directives;
  11. Believes that responsibility for seeing that the equipment concerned conforms to the provisions of the Directives should in principle lie with the manufacturer or importer;
  12. Considers, however:
    - (a) that the statements and certificates referred to in Article 3 should be printed in the language of the country of use and that where quality marks are not sufficiently familiar to the average, not specially well-informed customer, a clear indication of compliance with the standards laid down in the Directive should be provided in the language of the said country;
    - (b) that the Member States must provide for random testing of the appliances marketed in order to determine whether they meet the requirements of the Directive;
  13. Regrets that in setting up the committee for the adaptation of the Directives <sup>(4)</sup> to technical progress, the Council did not adopt at the time the Amendments proposed by Parliament <sup>(5)</sup> to the proposal for the General Programme referred to under point 5 — Amendments affecting the procedure to be followed by such committees;
  14. Notes with satisfaction that the standards laid down in the Annexes to the Directives are in line with the recommendations drawn up by the CISPR <sup>(6)</sup>;
  15. Expresses its general approval of the Commission's proposals;
  16. Invites the Commission to endorse the following Amendments pursuant to Article 149, paragraph 2, of the EEC Treaty;
  17. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.
- (<sup>4</sup>) OJ No C 76, 17. 6. 1969, p. 8.  
 (<sup>5</sup>) OJ No C 108, 19. 10. 1968, p. 43.  
 (<sup>6</sup>) Special International Committee on Radio Interference.

#### RESOLUTION

**on the communications from the Commission to the Council on**  
**(a) the progress necessary in Community energy policy, and**  
**(b) energy policy: problems and resources 1975 to 1985**

*The European Parliament,*

- having been consulted by the Council although in this instance consultation was not compulsory (Doc. 175/72, Parts (a) and b);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 36/73) and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Committee on External Economic Relations;
- having regard to the Final Communiqué of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the European Communities, held at The Hague on 1 and 2 December 1969;

- having regard to the Final Declaration of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of the countries of the enlarged Community, held in Paris on 19 and 20 October 1972;
- referring to its previous Resolutions on energy policy, in particular those on:
  - Common Energy Policy <sup>(1)</sup> of 11 March 1970;
  - the Commission's proposal for a Regulation on the grant of the status of joint undertaking in respect of activities within the hydrocarbon industry <sup>(2)</sup>;
  - means of securing adequate energy supplies to satisfy the Community's requirements and guarantee, promote and further improve the Community's competitiveness on the world market as a prerequisite for economic growth, full employment and a forward-looking social policy <sup>(3)</sup>;

1. Recognizes that in view of the Declaration of Intent of the Heads of State or Government of 21 October 1972 and the vital interest of the Community and its Member States in a Community energy policy, those powers or prerogatives that are necessary for its realization should be accorded by Member States to the organs of the Community with the least possible delay;
2. Draws attention to the fact that the growing imbalance in the supplies of primary energy to the Community has helped to aggravate the monetary crises of the past and that disturbances from this quarter must be reckoned with in future;
3. Notes that the Commission, in its communications, has indicated the measures it considers necessary for a future Community energy policy;
4. Nevertheless takes the view that in particular the planned list of priorities for the preparation of individual measures is lacking and must be furnished before these individual measures are prepared;
5. Therefore requests the Commission to take into consideration the list of priorities contained in the Annex to this motion for a Resolution when carrying out the measures it has in mind, with particular reference to the additions and deletions proposed in that list;
6. Emphasizes once more, with regard to the carrying out of these measures, that:
  - (a) the Community's terms of reference for the conduct of research with a view to coordinating and improving the supply of energy from reliable sources must be widened; the European Parliament therefore urges the Council and Member States once again to accord the necessary powers to the Community without delay;
  - (b) in view of the urgency of these problems, it is necessary to convene Council Meetings for the discussion of energy questions every three months, and therefore calls upon the Council, in view of the Declaration of Intent of the Heads of State or Government of 21 October 1972, to deal as soon as possible with those proposals that are still outstanding for Regulations and Directives concerning energy policy;
7. Calls upon the Commission, in accordance with its own communications, to lay the necessary proposals for Regulations and Directives before the European Parliament and the Council, one by one, as they become available;
8. Further calls upon the Commission, for the same reason, to submit, in so far as they have not been rendered obsolete by subsequent developments, the proposals still outstanding from the 'First Guideline on a Community Energy Policy', taking into account the Resolution of the European Parliament of 11 March 1970.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 40, 3. 4. 1970, p. 25 (not available in English).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 46, 9. 5. 1972, p. 21.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.

9. Regards accompanying measures in the spheres of competition, monetary, foreign trade, development, budgetary and transport policy as essential to achieving the highest possible degree of relative security of supplies for the Community;
10. Requests the Commission of the European Communities to study projects from the financial angle and, where several options are open, to calculate the costs involved in each case so that Parliament can adopt a well-founded position with due regard to the Community's financial potential within the limits of a budget covered exclusively by own resources as from the 1975 financial year;
11. Instructs its appropriate committee to keep a close watch on the development of national energy policies and the initial stages of a Community energy policy, bearing in mind the world situation, and, where appropriate, to report to it on the subject;
12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Commission and Council of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation establishing a common system applicable to imports of hydrocarbons from third countries**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
  - having been consulted by the Council in an instance in which such consultation is not obligatory (Doc. 175/72-c);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 37/73);
1. Notes the Commission's proposal for a Regulation, which could play a positive part in the achievement of a common energy policy, the need for which was emphasized at the recent Conference of Heads of State or Government in Paris in October 1972;
  2. Considers that implementation of a common import policy in the hydrocarbons sector could help to lessen the risks incurred by the Community with regard to its supplies of petroleum products owing to its dependence on third countries;
  3. Approves the Commission's proposal to include hydrocarbons in the Regulation on the establishment of a common system applicable to imports from third countries, which provides for a liberalized system together with supervisory and/or safeguard measures;
  4. Is of the opinion that it is legitimate, as the Commission suggests, to provide for recourse to such measures of supervision and/or safeguard if the supply of petroleum products seems threatened;
  5. Invites the Council to adopt the Commission's proposal quickly so that it can take effect by 1 January 1974 at the latest;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 134, 27. 12. 1972, p. 21.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on oil and gas pipelines which cross frontiers

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 175/72-d);
  - recalling its previous Resolutions on energy policy which remain valid;
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 31/73);
1. Notes the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on oil and gas pipelines which cross frontiers, subject to the reservations contained in paragraph 6 of this Resolution.
  2. Considers that care should be taken to ensure that the capital required for the construction of oil and gas pipelines is used in the best interests of the Communities and that pipeline owners or operators are not led to take advantage of their dominant position, even if they have not done so to date;
  3. Joins with the Commission in emphasizing that transport on behalf of third parties should be provided only for quantities and periods compatible with the transport and supply requirements of undertakings owning or operating pipelines recognized as being of common interest;
  4. Is of the opinion that the owners or operators of such pipelines should provide transport on behalf of third parties at prices and on terms which are non-discriminatory, without prejudice to their own interests in regard to transport and supply;
  5. Considers that the methods of calculating transport charges should be defined in each separate case, having due regard to the real costs incurred by the undertakings at the time when the contract was concluded;
  6. Shares the opinion that the proposed Regulation should apply not only to pipelines which cross frontiers but also to the major national pipelines, so as not to create discrimination in cases where pipelines in these two categories find themselves competing;
  7. Suggests that the special problems which will arise in applying the Regulation should be dealt with by the Council, acting by qualified majority on a proposal from the Commission, in accordance with Article 75 of the EEC Treaty;
  8. Proposes that, by derogation from Article 4 of Regulation (EEC) No 1056/72 referring to the confidential nature of information compiled, the Commission should publish officially all information relating to the construction of oil or gas pipelines acknowledged to be of common European interest, thus enabling any oil or gas companies concerned to negotiate with the principals within a strict time limit of six months the terms under which transport could be provided;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 134, 27. 12. 1972, p. 22.

9. Approves, under these conditions, the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities, and invites the latter to adopt the following modifications, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;

10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution, together with its committee's report, to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on measures to alleviate the effects of hydrocarbon supply difficulties

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 175/72-e) in an instance where consultation was not obligatory;
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 32/73) and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Committee on External Economic Relations;

1. Stresses the serious risks to the Community of hydrocarbon supply difficulties, given the nature of such supplies;
2. Rejects the view of the Commission of the European Communities that in order to forestall such an eventuality it is sufficient for the Member States to assume the powers necessary to alleviate the effects of a supply crisis;
3. Considers therefore that, in order to be effective, the measures thus laid down by the Member States must be coordinated at Community level;
4. Requests that the Commission's proposed Directive should take account of these requirements;
5. Regrets that the scope of the proposed Directive is restricted by imprecision and gaps in the implementing arrangements;
6. Shares the Commission's view that the limitations of the proposal are due to the embryonic state of the Common Energy Policy;
7. Requests, however, the Commission of the European Communities to submit, as soon as progress in Community Energy Policy so allows, a proposal for a Regulation conferring the necessary powers on the institutions of the Community to enable the latter, acting in collaboration with all the interested circles, to alleviate the effects of hydrocarbon supply difficulties;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 134, 27. 12. 1972, p. 23.

8. Invites the Commission of the Communities to study the possibility of establishing a common purchasing organization, membership of which should be open to third countries;
9. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on tariff arrangements applicable to goods purchased by travellers in airport shops and on board aircraft, ships, boats or hovercraft operating between two or more Member States

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 214/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 320/72);
1. Welcomes the submission of this proposal which embodies the suggestion contained in the European Parliament's Resolution of 7 February 1972 and which lays down provisions for exemptions on sales in bonded airport shops and on board aircraft, ships and boats;
  2. Notes with satisfaction that this proposal is designed to remove the distortions of competition resulting from the discrepancies in treatment as regards exemption from customs duties between travellers using the Community's internal airlines and those using other means of transport;
  3. Invites the Commission to work out the requisite inspection provisions for duty exemption on goods consumed on board aircraft, ships, boats or hovercraft operating between two or more Member States;
  4. Believes that as in the case of the harmonization of turnover taxes and excise duties levied on passenger traffic, a three year period must be provided to enable the appropriate authorities to make adjustments to the new tariff arrangements which are envisaged;
  5. Approves the Commission's proposal while inviting it to incorporate the following amendment pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 134, 27. 12. 1972, p. 34.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on arrangements to enable bonded goods to be processed before being made available for consumption

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1623 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council in accordance with Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 282/72-I);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 52/73);
1. Is glad to approve this proposal for the improvement of an existing arrangement as being of importance for those concerned;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the 6th General Report of the Commission of the European Communities on the activities of the Communities in 1972

*The European Parliament,*

- takes note of the 6th General Report of the Commission on the activities of the Communities in 1972, as well as the general lines of the programme laid down for 1973 (Doc. 303/72),
- having regard to the report submitted by Mr H. Seefeld pursuant to the Resolution <sup>(1)</sup> of 15 February 1973 (Doc. 46/73);

### General

1. Welcomes the Accession to the Communities on 1 January 1973 of the Kingdom of Denmark, the Republic of Ireland, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and hopes that this enlargement of the Communities will provide a new impetus for European integration which will enable Europe to better fulfil its responsibilities in the world;
2. Hopes that the Kingdom of Norway will, shortly, be able to become a Member of the Communities and that in the meantime mutually satisfactory economic and commercial Agreements can be concluded;
3. Welcomes the Agreements reached between the Community and those EFTA countries which have not joined the Community, and hopes that the Agreements with Finland, Iceland and Norway can be fully implemented in the near future — considering that these Agreements will make it possible to avoid an economic division of Europe and will provide a basis for cooperation whilst safeguarding the cohesion and internal dynamism of the Communities;

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 14, 27. 3. 1973, p. 39.



*A. The Paris Summit of 1972*

4. Welcomes the way in which the meetings of Heads of State or of Government of Members of the enlarged Communities <sup>(2)</sup> held in Paris in October 1972 both complemented and strengthened the EEC Treaty by establishing certain new goals and, of equal importance, by laying down time tables for the achievement of such goals; but
5. Considers that useful though it is for the Heads of State or of Government to provide additional political impetus to the work of the Communities at Summit Meetings, it should be recognized that Community procedures must be respected for the implementation of Summit recommendations and that the Commission should remain the organ which initiates Community legislation and that its collegiate function in this respect should not be replaced by initiatives taken by governments;
6. Looks therefore to the Commission to take bold and systematic initiatives so as to implement common policies and to establish the new institutional balance of the enlarged Community, towards which the first step should be the forthcoming proposals to extend the Parliament's powers — it being hoped that by 1980 a directly elected Parliament vested with real powers of supervision and initiative could control a real European government;
7. Considers that whereas Heads of State or of Government can focus European public opinion on the unification process, Summit Meetings may arouse false expectations of progress towards European unity which are not justified by results unless they are well prepared and the participating governments are in broad agreement on the issues at stake;
8. Welcomes the conclusions and initiatives of the Paris Summit with respect to economic and monetary policy, regional policy, social policy, industrial, scientific and technological policy, the environment, energy and external relations;
9. Urges the Community institutions in general and the Commission in particular, to respect the time tables established by the Paris Summit and urges, also, the Member States and the Community institutions to focus and coordinate the political will which was displayed in Paris so as to overcome the divisions and difficulties which have been so evident in recent monetary events;
10. Welcomes, also, the progress that has already been made concerning the development of concerted Community attitudes towards major foreign policy issues, within the framework of the Political Committee, notably with respect to the preparation of the forthcoming Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and eagerly awaits the report to be submitted by the Ministries of Foreign Affairs by 30 June 1973 on measures which could be taken to improve political cooperation; but
11. Stresses that the development of political union should be carried out within the framework of the Community institutions rather than in parallel intergovernmental institutions and expresses its view that the work of the Political Committee is only the first step towards the political unification of Europe, and that this Committee must be brought within the Community framework in future institutional developments;
12. Welcomes the various remarks made in the Declaration of Paris concerning the reinforcement and development of Community institutional arrangements, notably: by inviting the Community institutions, in the first instance, to draw up before the end of the first stage of the move to economic and monetary union, and on the basis of the report that the Commission should submit, before 1 May 1973, measures concerning the sharing between the Community institutions and Member States of those competences and responsibilities which are necessary for the effective working of an economic and monetary union; by the confirmation of the Decision of 22 April 1970 of the Council concerning the budgetary powers of control of the Parliament; by stressing the need to improve, by 'practical measures', the contacts between the Council and the Parliament on the one hand and the Commission and the Parliament on the other; by the improvement of the decision-making procedures of the Council and by giving a greater degree of coherence to the Community; by underlining the importance of making the optimum use of Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;

<sup>(2)</sup> And Norway.

13. Regrets that no practical Decisions were taken by the Summit concerning increased powers for the European Parliament and the direct election of its Members despite Treaty obligations and the fact that these subjects have long been questions on the European agenda, and notes, in this respect, that the new Netherlands Parliament has stated that no Netherlands government will be prepared to cooperate in the transition to the second stage of the European Monetary Union scheduled for 1 January 1974 unless there is a considerable improvement of the Community's decision-making powers and effective parliamentary participation in this process at the European level;

14. Considers that a joint procedure is required to permit the establishment of the report of the Community institutions concerning 'European Union' by the end of 1975 and requests the Political Committee of the Parliament to propose such a procedure;

15. Welcomes the aim of transforming relations between the Member States of the Communities into a 'European Union' at the latest by the end of the present decade, and requests its President to represent it in negotiations with the heads of the other Community institutions so as to formulate the proposals to be presented by the Community institutions before the end of 1975 to a meeting of Heads of State or of Government — and considers that the Parliament's Political Committee should itself survey the different possibilities and implications of establishing such a 'European Union' and report back to the Parliament in the near future;

16. Regrets that the Summit Meeting took no decision to define the substance of a 'European Union', a phrase which could be interpreted in many different ways; stresses vigorously that European Union can only be achieved if the calendar laid down in the Paris Communiqué for implementing the various Community policies is strictly adhered to, and affirms its resolve, *vis-à-vis* the other institutions, to act as a watchdog to ensure that the deadlines are met;

#### *B. Political Union and the possibility of defence cooperation*

17. Considers that European Union, as foreseen in paragraph 16 of the Paris Communiqué, covering the whole complex of the relations of Member States necessarily entails political cooperation and cannot leave out of account measures of defence cooperation, and looks forward with interest to proposals for strengthening cooperation in this sphere and, in particular, the report which the Foreign Ministers are to prepare by 30 June 1973.

#### *C. The Community in the World*

18. Considers that the Community should play an increasingly active role concerning world developments such as the new political and economic relations to be established with the United States, the promotion of lasting peace in the Middle East, aid to the developing countries, and the solution of environmental problems, and, also, that the Community should make a positive contribution to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and to its follow-up, and looks to the Commission to initiate courageous proposals concerning problems of this kind which it hopes that the Council will implement;

19. Requests the Commission to seek to obtain the recognition of the Community as a legal partner with respect, in particular, to the areas for which it has sole responsibility, within the appropriate international organizations;

#### D. *Towards a new kind of Community*

20. Considers that if a meaningful 'European Union' is to be achieved by 1980 it must be based on not only an economic but also a social Community and that, in this respect, the Community programme of social policy action to be drawn up (in the first instance on the basis of Article 235 of the EEC Treaty) by 1 January 1974 should aim at significant improvements in the living and working conditions of the peoples of the Community, and in a reduction of the present disparities between such conditions in different parts of the Community;
21. Considers that, with this end in view, the Community institutions and governments should seek ways and means of bringing about a greater involvement of the Community peoples particularly young people, and also individuals, in the integration process, notably by developing the Community information policy so as to make the aims and achievements of the Community comprehensible and attractive to them;
22. Considers that the social policy and employment aspects of the Community that require developing so as to achieve a genuine 'European Union' by 1980 include the need to give migrant workers from within the Community, and their families, civil, political, social and human rights equal to those enjoyed by the citizens of the Community States in which they work or reside, and requests the Commission to make proposals in this sense in the context of its forthcoming Social Policy Programme by 1 January 1974;
23. Considers also that, despite the many obstacles which must be overcome, as an ultimate objective, migrant workers from associated and third countries working in a Community country should be entitled to working conditions and social benefits equal to those received by nationals of that country, and requests the Member States to concert their policies concerning migrant workers from associated and third countries as a first step in that direction;

#### Relating to Chapter II of the Commission's General Report

##### E. *Entry into force of the Accession Treaties*

24. Considers that the legal techniques used for the Decisions taken to bring about the enlargement of the Communities have permitted the integration of the new Member States into the Community whilst maintaining the integrity of Community law, notably in safeguarding the nature of the law derived from Decisions taken by the institutions of the Community;

#### Relating to Chapter III

##### F. *Free movement of goods and persons*

25. Urges the Commission and Council to create the necessary conditions in which frontier checks on goods can be minimized and those on persons abolished at frontiers between Member States of the Community, and with this in view requests that cooperation between national customs authorities be improved and the remaining technical obstacles eliminated without delay; notes with regret that, as a result of delay in harmonizing the relevant legal provisions, the control of motor vehicle green insurance cards continues to be a nuisance in some cases;
26. Requests the Commission to complete the work which will enable it to present proposals for Directives concerning the elimination of technical obstacles to trade;

### G. *Competition policy*

27. Reiterates that, competition policy, as well as other sectoral policies, should be applied amongst the efforts to create a single domestic market within the Community, emphasizes the importance of eliminating, as quickly as possible, the disparities between Community legislation and the competition policies of the different States (both old and new Members), and points to the importance of a common competition policy if economic and monetary union is to be achieved;

28. Warns against the distorting effect on competition of the differing tax systems within the Community and urges the Commission and Council to accelerate the harmonization of tax legislation, in view of the urgency of this problem;

29. Requests the Commission to complete, as rapidly as possible, the preparation of the Draft Convention concerning international mergers;

### H. *Harmonization of taxes*

30. Expresses its concern that the measures taken by the Commission to achieve tax harmonization are not part of an overall plan and regrets that in the case of the Value Added Tax, which is to be used from 1975 to provide own resources for financing the Community budget, there has been no decisive progress towards a uniform standard of assessment;

### I. *Right of establishment*

31. Requests the Commission, in view both of the better functioning of the common market and as a pre-condition of economic and monetary union, to intensify its efforts to persuade the Council to adopt the proposals for Directives concerning the right of establishment, the free movement of services and the harmonization of national laws concerning the liberal professions, concerning which the Parliament has given its Opinion and particularly concerning, on the one hand, non-salaried workers — especially members of the liberal professions — and, on the other hand, banks and insurance companies;

32. Stresses, once again, the importance of complete freedom of establishment and freedom to provide services for the creation of a single domestic market within the Community and considers it inappropriate to try to make progress in this area by means of small, partial steps, and regrets the delays on the part of the Commission in implementing action promised by it in the past in this domain;

### J. *Approximation of legislation*

33. Stresses the importance of the approximation of the Company law of the Member States and of the need to create a European Company law and the harmonization of legal systems and the creation of a system of European law through conventions, particularly in respect of the awarding of public contracts, but regrets that the Commission has not yet put forward all the proposals that it has promised in these sectors;

### K. *Public health*

34. Notes with regret that the Council has failed to adopt several of the proposals submitted to it in the past by the Commission on the harmonization of legislation for the food industry (for instance concerning cocoa, jam, beer and stabilizing agents) resulting both in the maintenance of technical obstacles to trade and in a situation in which the consumer is inadequately protected against health hazards, and urges the Council to take immediate action concerning the Commission's proposals so that Community action in this field can provide a decisive stimulus to the preparation, at world level, of the Programme on Food Standards (in the framework of FAO and WHO);

35. Welcomes the two proposals for Directives on the retail sale of pharmaceutical products by which the Commission has, in accordance with the wishes of the European Parliament, supplemented the seven proposals for Directives put forward in March 1969 on the implementation of freedom of establishment and free provision of services for certain self-employed activities in the pharmaceutical field and urges the Council to adopt, without delay, the proposals for Directives which have been submitted to it years ago, and reserves the right to take further steps in this respect;

36. Regrets that the Council has adopted only two of the eight proposals made by the Commission on veterinary legislation and appeals to the Council to implement the remaining proposals of the Commission, immediately, in the interests of public health, especially concerning milk and meat hygiene;

#### *L. Environmental policy*

37. Expresses the hope that the Commission will, as promised, take full account of the various requests made by the European Parliament (Doc. 9/72 and Doc. 74/72) concerning the Commission's initial communications on an environmental protection programme of the European Communities, and particularly of the principle advocated by the Parliament that in order to do everything possible to prevent environmental pollution anyone causing it must bear the costs of remedying such pollution;

38. Underlines the need for the coordination of measures taken by the Community both to protect the environment and, also, in the field of public health, with the efforts being made in this respect by international organizations and third countries, so as to seek world wide solutions to urgent problems in both fields;

39. Repeats its request to the Commission to put forward, in the near future, a proposal for a Directive, modelled on German legislation, aimed at reducing appreciably the lead content of motor vehicle exhaust gases;

#### *M. Consumer protection*

40. Welcomes the start that has been made to cooperation between the Commission and European consumer organizations and urges the Commission to establish contacts with national consumer organizations, hopes that the Commission will shortly implement its Decision to expand its specialized department for consumer questions and that it will become increasingly active in the protection of consumer interests, and urges the Commission to submit, as soon as possible, the programme it is drawing up in response to the instruction issued by the Heads of State or of Government at the Paris Summit to the Community institutions to 'strengthen and coordinate measures for consumer protection';

41. Points also to the economic significance of the concentration and modernization of trading arrangements and asks the Commission to take greater account in the future than it has done in the past in this respect, of the qualitative aspects of the consumer's standard of living;

42. Considers that the Commission should, in general, ensure that the content of its proposals should reflect a concern to protect the interests of consumers and also ensure that consumer information should be a major element in its public relations;

## Relating to Chapter IV

### N. *Progress towards economic and monetary union*

43. Draws attention, with concern, to the fact that it has not been possible to make good the delay caused by the belated start on work towards economic and monetary union since March 1972, and considers it necessary for the powers of the European Fund for Monetary Cooperation to be extended and its margin of monetary manoeuvre increased; asks the central banks of the Member States to deposit part of their currency reserves in this fund; hopes that the fund will develop a system of intervention on the European markets comprising several currencies and designed in such a way as to guarantee the stability of the European currencies *vis-à-vis* other important world currencies;

44. Emphasizes the view it has already advanced on numerous occasions that mere assurances for the need for parallel progress in monetary and economic policy are not sufficient, but that positive action is required to achieve such progress; refers with concern, in this context, to the unbalanced development of interdependent sectoral policies of fundamental importance to the achievement of the economic and monetary union and urges the Council to comply with the objectives laid down for it at the Summit conference and to respect the timetable it has itself set for the achievement of these objectives;

45. Criticizes, in this respect, the inactivity of the Council which has led to years of stagnation in sectoral structural policy within the Community, emphasises the inadequacy of the progress made towards the liberalization of capital movements and asks that greater efforts be made to coordinate economic and monetary policies so that liberalization can be pushed forward;

46. Stresses that Community measures to combat inflation must form part of the medium-term policy and again asks the Commission to submit to the Council, as soon as possible, a proposal for a guideline or Regulation on stability, economic growth, a high level of employment and balanced external trade;

47. Repeats the criticism made on several occasions in 1971 and 1972 that there has been insufficient harmonization of Community statistics, and in this context draws attention to the discrepancy between a demanding programme and a shortage of personnel to put it into effect and requests that steps be taken in the statistical sectors mentioned in Oral Questions No 17/72 to the Council and No 22/72 to the Commission in order to guarantee that the process of integration in the area of economic and monetary union is statistically covered to the required degree;

48. Expects that the Commission, the Council and the Member States by adopting a stability-oriented economic policy of growth can contribute to avoiding, in the future, difficulties such as those created by recent developments in international monetary relations and requests, concerning the reorganization of the international monetary system, that commercial advantages should not be obtained by unilateral changes in the monetary parities of the Member States;

### O. *Regional policy*

49. Deeply regrets that the proposals made by the Commission concerning regional policy in 1969 have not been followed up, but expresses the hope that the Decision to develop a common regional policy made at the Paris Summit will be implemented rapidly and vigorously and that the deadline of 31 December 1973 laid down for the establishment of the Regional Development Fund will be met;

50. Considers that the Regional Development Fund, in order to be effective, must be of sufficient size to be able to make an impact on the regional problems of industrial and agricultural transformation and structural under-employment which each of the countries of the Community faces to a greater or lesser extent;

51. Draws attention to the problem of establishing criteria governing the expenditure of regional funds and believes that the committee responsible for establishing these criteria and for coordinating regional policy should be attached to the Commission alone, as proposed in 1969, and not to the Commission and the Council, as suggested in paragraph 181 of the General Report of the Commission;

52. Considers that the proposed Regional Development Company could be a valuable supplementary instrument in correcting sectoral imbalances, but, in the absence of specific information and details concerning this proposed body, reserves its position;

#### *P. Social affairs*

53. Urges the Commission to make specific proposals: to improve the position of women in economic, social and civic life, and suggests that in this respect a Consultative Committee and a special department of the Commission should be set up; to orientate the social action of Member States in favour of the elderly so as to achieve a greater integration of the elderly into modern society; to extend the experiment made within the framework of the ECSC concerning the construction of housing to other sectors; and to encourage means by which the ownership of homes by workers can be facilitated;

54. Considers that Community Social Policy should consist of parallel development on two levels: first, action by both sides of industry, which should be more closely associated with Community policy, with special reference to the establishment of joint committees for all major sections, so as to facilitate the conclusion of European collective agreements; second, action by the Community authorities which (particularly in the light of the opportunities provided by Article 235 of the EEC Treaty) should carry out the priority aims envisaged in the 'Parliamentary Guidelines' which the European Community published in 1971 and the Parliament endorsed and which should establish a European social budget, before the establishment of the general social programme decided by the Paris Summit;

55. Draws special attention to the persistent quantitative and qualitative imbalances on the labour market and, in this context, calls for (a) better coordination of the instruments of intervention available to the Community; (b) the enlargement of the Renovated Social Fund so as to enable it to respond to the many requests which are bound to be addressed to it;

#### *Q. Health*

56. Urges the Commission to intensify its efforts to ensure the safety of the peoples of the Member States from radiation, and to perfect the safety regulations governing nuclear installations and invites the Commission to propose safety norms for laser beams and micro-waves;

57. Welcomes the efforts of the Commission to promote and develop cooperation between Member States concerning occupational safety, and urges the Commission to make proposals with the aim of achieving harmonization in this important area, based if necessary on Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;

## R. *Agriculture*

58. Observes that the agricultural sector, which is the sector of the economy in which Community policy is the most integrated, has been forced to adapt itself to the monetary vicissitudes with which the Community has been confronted during recent years by taking special measures which must be short-lived;

59. Expresses the fear that, over and above the handicaps imposed by events in the monetary field on the free movement of agricultural products, the distortions which monetary instability has brought in its train might undermine the foundations of the common agricultural policy if progress is not rapidly achieved concerning economic and monetary union;

60. Expresses, also, its concern in this context about a situation in which the agricultural sector could be gravely damaged even though the common agricultural policy — which continued to act as a driving force in European integration — acquired, in 1972, Community mechanisms aimed at bringing about structural reform;

61. Regrets the delays in the implementation of the Directives on structural reform adopted by the Council on 17 April 1972 which, meanwhile, must be brought up to date, and requests the Member States to ensure that the provisions for implementing these Directives are adopted as soon as possible;

62. Considers it necessary that, in the near future and in view of experience acquired so far, the common agricultural policy be brought in line with the imperative requirements of the economic and social future of the Community;

## S. *Energy and research*

63. Expects from the Council that, after the totally inadequate results of 1972, Community action on a greater scale than achieved so far can be taken both in the field of energy policy and in the sector of research; where necessary on the basis of Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;

## T. *Transport*

64. Regrets that the Commission of the European Communities does not propose; in the sections of the General Report dealing with transport, any indications of a policy capable of giving transport policy a fresh start, and regrets, further, the failure of the Council to arrive at the necessary Decisions;

65. Hopes that, in view of the failure of the Community's attempts to deal separately with different aspects of transport policy, an overall policy will be adopted concerning the major issues affecting price policy, capacity policy, systems of rates for the use of infrastructure, social and technical harmonization and the removal of frontier obstacles in the transport field;

66. Appeals to the Commission to make a further attempt in 1973, particularly in the light of the enlargement of the Community, to propose an overall solution to the unresolved basic problems relating to a common transport policy;

## Relating to Chapter V

### U. *External economic relations*

67. Urges the Commission and the Council of Ministers to make, according to their respective competences, a constructive contribution to the forthcoming trade negotiations in GATT in order to achieve the harmonious expansion and further liberalization of world trade on a reciprocal basis;



68. Considers that the special interests of the developing countries should be taken into account by the Community in the GATT multilateral trade negotiations;

69. Notes the increasing difficulties concerning both the internal and the external trade of the Community which result from the different character of the trade of each individual country with Japan and considers that this problem should be solved by means of a trade Agreement under the terms of Article 113 of the EEC Treaty;

70. Emphasizes the difficulties which characterize commercial relations between the Community and the state trading countries in view of their bilateral nature and of the difficulties of achieving genuine reciprocity, and requests the Commission to put forward proposals to alleviate these problems;

71. Expects that the Community, through new Agreements with the Mediterranean countries, will continue to act in such a way as to carry out its special responsibilities to these countries in the form of a comprehensive Mediterranean policy;

#### *V. Problems of development and cooperation*

72. Endorses the Opinion expressed in the General Report that the Member States were not, during the Third UN Congress on Trade and Development at Santiago, able to carry through, as a Community, a coherent policy towards the developing countries and points, therefore, to the need for the Council to lay down, as soon as possible, initial guidelines for a general Community policy towards the developing countries, and to note the implications for the Community's internal policy;

73. Regrets the lack of progress made by the Paris Summit concerning development aid and in particular the failure of the Heads of State or Government to agree to the suggestion made by the Commission that the Community should implement the UNCTAD resolutions calling for 0.7 % of GNP to be devoted to aid and for a 15 % increase in imports from developing countries;

74. Welcomes the Decision of the Paris Summit providing for the improvement and extension of the Community's generalized preferential system, in respect of both the coverage and the number of participating countries;

75. Endorses the view of the European Commission that the association with the AAMS should be strengthened and improved, and that no weakening of its three fundamental elements of trade, financial cooperation and institutions should be permitted;

76. Recommends the Commission to provide full information for the countries eligible for association, on the basis of which they can assess the possibilities of association with the Community;

77. Urges the Council to make early efforts to solve the difficulties facing the European Development Fund as a result of the unsettled monetary situation;

78. Calls on the Member States concerned to ratify the association Agreement with Mauritius without delay;

79. Asks that attention be given to the continually deteriorating trade balance of the AAMS as well as of the East African states with the Community, and calls on the Commission and Council to adopt a flexible approach to arrangements governing imports into the Community of certain products from these countries, and to take into account the interests of these countries in the forthcoming multilateral trade negotiations;

80. Welcomes the increasing contacts between the Community and the developing countries of Asia and Latin America, and calls on the European Commission to set out its policy towards these countries in greater detail;

#### **Relating to Chapters VI and VII**

#### *W. The budget of the Communities*

81. Notes with satisfaction that the development of the Communities' own resources, which in 1972 already amounted to more than 60 % of receipts, is in accordance with the timetable laid down in the Decision taken

by the Council on 21 April 1970, and welcomes the progress made in collecting and checking the Communities' own resources in accordance with Community procedures which still, however, require improvement;

82. Believes that the rapid growth in expenditure under the European Budget must lead to an improvement of budgetary instruments, and, in particular, to an expansion of the financial forecasts to cover a period of several years ahead;

#### *X. The European Parliament's budgetary powers*

83. Condemns the failure of the Commission to fulfil its undertaking of 22 April 1970 to make, at the latest within two years, proposals to increase the budgetary powers of the European Parliament, and regrets that in those parts of the General Report which deal with institutional developments the Commission does not refer expressly to the vote of no confidence — the first in the history of the Communities — brought against the Commission for its failure to meet its obligations under the Treaty of 22 April 1970;

84. Demands the Commission to respect its obligation to present new proposals aimed at increasing the budgetary powers of the Parliament (by 1 June 1973 at the latest) so that new budgetary procedures can be applied in time for the scrutiny, in 1974, of the 1975 budget of the Communities;

#### *Y. Supervision of the financial activities of the Communities*

85. Regrets that until now there has been no satisfactory application of the Resolution annexed to the Treaty of 22 April 1970 concerning the presentation to the Parliament by the Commission of Financial Notes (*fiches financières*) on Community Decisions nor by the Council of its obligation to explain to the Parliament its reasons whenever it does not follow the Opinion of the Parliament;

86. Considers, as it has in the past, that the Commission's efforts to improve internal and external checks on Community expenditure do not go far enough and are still not part of an overall plan and urges the Commission to act energetically in this respect;

87. Notes that efforts to check cases of fraud in the EAGFF have met with practically no success in 1972, and urges the Commission, in cooperation with the Member States, to uncover frauds so that the culprits can be punished;

#### *Z. Legal information policy*

88. Invites the Commission to continue and to develop its information activities directed at the legal profession in the different Member States;

### **Relating to missing Chapters**

#### *Youth*

89. Urges the Commission, as regards questions of vocational training, re-training, further education and exchanges of young working people, to intensify its activities so as to ensure that each individual receives the best possible vocational training;

#### *Education*

90. Regards the founding of a European University Institution in Florence as a first step in the right direction and emphasizes both the need to organize, immediately, systematic cooperation and exchanges between existing universities within the Community, and also the need to promote cooperation between institutes of higher education and to examine the prospects for extending and completing the system of European Schools;

91. Requests the Commission to come to grips with the reciprocal recognition of university degrees, higher educational diplomas, and professional and technical educational certificates;

### *Cultural cooperation*

92. Welcomes the prospect, opened up by the Paris Summit Conference, of a 'European Union' and invites the Commission to work out proposals aimed at promoting cultural cooperation at the Community level, bearing in mind the problems and interests of ethnic groups, and to establish regular contacts with other international organizations (notably the Council of Europe and UNESCO) which are working in the domain of cultural co-operation;

### **General conclusion**

93. Considers that the form of its General Report on the Annual Report submitted to it by the Commission should be changed, next year, so as to make the Parliament's Report a more effective instrument;

94. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Commission and Council of the Communities.

### **RESOLUTION**

**on problems connected with the practical arrangements for the Audit Board's performance of its duties**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Resolution of 10 June 1971 <sup>(1)</sup>, and especially point 16 thereof to the effect that the exercise by the Audit Board of its powers should be more clearly defined in conjunction with all the institutions and bodies concerned so that the responsibility of each Community institution becomes apparent in the course of auditing and budgetary management;
- having regard to the statute laid down by the Council in 1959 for the Communities' Audit Board <sup>(2)</sup>;
- having regard to the views of the Chairmen of the national audit offices, as put to the Committee for Finance and Budgets on 14 and 15 September 1972;
- having regard to the new proposals concerning the European Communities' budgetary arrangements with regard to the Audit Board (especially Articles 85 to 92, Doc. 247/72);
- having regard to the powers conferred upon it by Article 206 of the EEC Treaty;
- having regard to the report of the Committee for Finance and Budgets (Doc. 321/72);

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 66, 1. 7. 1971, p. 43,

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No 46, 17. 8. 1959.

### A. General principles

1. Considers that if it is to carry out responsibly the obligation imposed on it by Article 206 of the EEC Treaty to give a discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget, the Audit Board, as the external audit body of the Communities, must be given the necessary powers not only in budgetary law but also in practice;
2. Considers that the importance of the Community budget and the mass and complexity of budget operations, including those within the Community Fund, call for improved practical arrangements for the performance by the Audit Board of its duties;
3. Calls for the statute laid down by the Council in 1959 for the Audit Board to be revised in accordance with the progress already achieved in the European Communities' budgetary arrangements and with regard to the Community's financial autonomy based on its own resources;
4. Calls for revision of the Treaty provisions so that the Audit Board is made into a European Audit Office by analogy with national audit offices;
5. Therefore agrees with the Commission that the new budgetary arrangements, in so far as they affect the Audit Board, should be only provisional

### B. Practical auditing arrangements

6. Agrees with the Commission of the Communities that the work of the Audit Board consists basically in retroactive supervision of the financial and budgetary management of the Communities but — having regard also to point 3 of this Resolution — calls for exceptions to this principle, since Parliament's supervisory function must be constantly safeguarded, especially in the budgetary field;
7. Demands therefore:
  - that the work of the Audit Board should not be confined to drawing up its Annual Report;
  - that Council and Parliament, as the budgetary authorities, may require the Audit Board to investigate given situations even before the accounts relating to the budget have been closed and while the budget is being implemented;
  - that the Audit Board may inform Council and Parliament, as the budgetary authorities, of serious cases even before the completion of the financial year;
8. Considers that special provisions must be issued to enable the Audit Board to establish the soundness of financial management, and that for this purpose it must be given wide-ranging powers to enable it, as an external body, to acquire a deep insight into the organization and administration of the Community organs and institutions. In many cases it will not be sufficient for the Audit Board, or any staff to whom it may delegate its powers, to depend solely on records: 'Financial management must include not only those activities of the Community's administrative departments which directly affect the budget, but also all the financial effects of the expansion — both in regard to personnel and in a material sense — of the departments themselves' <sup>(1)</sup>;
9. Calls attention, however, to the generally accepted view that it is not part of the external auditing function to comment on the purpose for which funds are allocated, but solely to establish whether the funds used for that purpose meet the requirements of sound management;
10. Emphasizes that it is the Audit Board's duty to satisfy itself as to the efficiency of internal financial audit, and that this calls for a special liaison between external and internal auditing which should not, however, obliterate the line of demarcation between the two;

(1) Commentary on Article 206 of the EEC Treaty/Von der Groeben/Boeckh.

11. Firmly opposes any delay in producing correspondence or other documents likely to throw light on the accounts;
12. Considers that the audits performed by the Audit Board on the spot, as provided for in the Treaties, are by no means of an exceptional character requiring greater formalities, but an essential part of any public accounting procedure;
13. Welcomes the provision in Article 89 of the new Financial Regulations that 'the grant of subsidies to bodies outside the Community shall be subject to acceptance by the recipient of examination by the Audit Board of use made of such grants';
14. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Commission and Council of the European Communities.

### RESOLUTION

#### on the economic situation in the Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the communication from the Commission to the Council on the adaptation of the economic policy guidelines for 1973 (Doc. SEC (73) 1112/fin.);
- having regard to the Annual Report on the Economic Situation of the Community <sup>(1)</sup>;
- having regard to the Statement of the Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the European Communities and of the acceding countries of 21 October 1972 <sup>(2)</sup>;
- having regard to the Council's Resolution of 5 December 1972 on anti-inflationary measures <sup>(3)</sup>;
- having regard to its own Resolutions, in particular those of 11 October 1972 and 15 February 1973 <sup>(4)</sup>;
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 47/73);

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 133, 23. 12. 1972, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Annex to Bulletin No 37/72 (PE 31.175/Ann.).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 133, 23. 12. 1972, p. 12.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 27, and OJ No C 14, 27. 2. 1973, p. 36.

1. Endorses the analysis of the economic situation in the Community contained in the Communication to the Council on the adaptation of economic policy guidelines for 1973;
2. Repeats that economic policy must in the first place be directed at arresting price increases without, however, jeopardizing efforts to eliminate regional unemployment;
3. Urges all the Member States strictly to apply the guidelines contained in the Annual Report on the Economic Situation of the Community of 31 October 1972 and the Council Resolution of 5 December 1972 and, pursuant to the provisions of the Treaty, to treat their exchange rate policy as a matter of common interest;
4. Considers that a very strict monetary and credit policy will be even more essential during the months ahead in those Member States in which the overall demand for goods and services tends to exceed the supply;
5. Notes that the limits within which public budgets can be used as instruments of conjunctural policy are in danger of being exceeded in certain Member States and therefore believes that Community guidelines on this subject must be followed without, however, placing the growth of public investment in jeopardy;
6. Is convinced that progress in the coordination of the economic policies of Member States is essential if price increases are to be moderated in the medium term;
7. Urges the Commission once again to submit a proposal for a Directive or Regulation, repeatedly called for by Parliament, on stability, economic growth, maintenance of a high level of employment and external economic equilibrium;
8. Is of the Opinion that a continuous analysis of incomes and prices should lead to the elaboration of measures that will strike at the very causes of inflation, such measures to be applied *inter alia* in the spheres of employment policy, regional structure policy, competition policy and incomes policy;
9. Urges the Commission to redouble its efforts to organize discussions at European level with representatives of all the parties concerned on a controlled development of prices and incomes;
10. Invites the Commission to draw up a report on the experience of various Member States in the sphere of prices and incomes policy;
11. Stresses the need for further harmonization of national provisions on movements of capital between Member States and third countries and continued liberalization of movements of capital within the Community;
12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and its committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Parliaments and governments of the Member States.

**DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

**of 9 May 1973**

**on the giving of a discharge to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the European Communities' budget for the financial year 1970 and on the Report of the Audit Board**

(73/116/ECSC, EEC, Euratom)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,

Having regard to the accounts and statements for the financial year 1970 and the accounts of the Euratom Supply Agency (Doc. 163/71-II and IV);

Having regard to the Report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 38/73);

Having regard to the Council Decision of 20 February 1973 <sup>(1)</sup> on the giving of a discharge to the Commission, and to the reservations continued in the Annex to the Council Decision which it endorses;

Having regard to the Report of the Audit Board on the accounts for the financial year 1970 and the answers of the institutions to that Report (Doc. 163/71-III A and B);

**I**

**Decision on a discharge**

1. Establishes the total of the Communities' expenditure for the financial year 1970 at 2 521 275 009.61 u.a., made up as follows:

— Administrative expenditure .....	117 466 553.89 u.a.
— European Social Fund .....	37 041 700.72 u.a.
— EAGGF .....	2 366 766 755.00 u.a.

2. Decides to give the Commission a final discharge in respect of the implementation of the 1970 budget and refers to the following critical remarks:

**II**

**The accounting procedures of the Funds, of the administrative budget and of the research and investment budget**

(a) *EAGGF*

3. Notes again with great regret that the largest single expenditure heading of the European Budget, namely the expenditure of the 'Guarantee' section of the Agricultural Fund, is not subject to adequate external control and that the Audit Board is unable to give the official bodies binding information on the financial management of the Fund (Section 110, paragraph 7, of the Audit Report for the financial year 1970);

4. Regrets once again the inadequate local supervision by EAGGF services; this situation must be remedied in view of the new financial regulations for the common agricultural policy and the transition to the Communities' own resources;
5. Finds it intolerable that there are still delays in meeting the due dates for closure of the accounts; as a result the Fund's expenditure is only audited five years after the measures in question are put into effect;
6. Urges the Commission to present an immediate report on the frequent instances of fraud which still occur in the agricultural sector, on their budgetary significance and on the consequences of measures taken up to now by the Commission of the European Communities and by the Member States, and reminds the Commission of its obligations deriving from Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 729/70;
7. Urges the Commission to concentrate on spot-check auditing operations covering individual projects in all their aspects on a random sample basis;
8. Believes, in view of the constantly recurring shortcomings in EAGGF financial management and the difficulty of supervising them, that the Commission must make considerably greater efforts to achieve substantial progress in this matter;
9. States therefore now that it can give the Commission of the European Communities no further discharge for future financial years, unless progress is made in the financial administration and control of the Agricultural Fund and the Commission moves closer to the Parliament's views on auditing procedures;

(b) *European Social Fund*

10. Deplores the long delays even in 1970 in the submission and examination of applications for assistance, the inadequate cooperation with national administrations, the shortage of staff in the Social Fund, the low rate of utilization of funds and, as a result, the fact that they are allowed to lie unused, and the difficulty of controlling expenditure calculated in lump sums;
11. Is astonished by the differences between the average costs of retraining programmes, which vary between the different Member States in a ratio of 1 to 9, and by the alleged difficulty of levelling out these differences within the overall activities of the Social Fund;
12. Believes that control by the Audit Board ought not to be restricted by Commission procedures which the Audit Board stated are the reasons why it can no longer satisfactorily perform its duties in regard to the expenditure of the Social Fund;
13. Considers therefore that the Parliament's positive decision on a discharge for the Social Fund's accounts for future financial years must be withheld if matters of auditing procedure cannot be clarified with the Commission and the remarks of the budgetary authorities are not taken into account;
14. Gives the final discharge in respect of the accounts of the Social Fund for the financial year 1969 on the basis of the judgment handed down in the meantime by the Court of Justice;

(c) *The Administrative Budget of the Institutions*

15. Urges the Commission to take note of the observations of the Audit Board, with particular reference to:
  - (a) the over-frequent entries of funds in accounts outside the budget which at times make subsequent auditing of certain budget transactions impossible;



- (b) the annually recurring over-spending and transfer of funds under certain budget headings which falsify the appropriations authorized by the budget authorities;
- (c) the strict application of the principle of separation of the power of authorization from accounting;
- (d) the criticism that deposited and cash holdings in securities and funds cannot be supervised;
- (e) the lack of opportunity to determine the results of investigations and surveys and the use to which they can be put;
- (f) the availability of realistic revenue accounts;

16. Demands an immediate report from the Commission on the correction of the shortcomings in the Luxembourg computer centre, which, according to the Audit Board, appear to be in striking contrast to the requirements of sound financial management;

17. Is therefore setting up an investigating committee within the framework of the Committee on Budgets with the task of working out a constructive solution with the Commission;

(d) *The research and investment budget*

18. Urges the Commission to ensure that the departments responsible for the research and investment budget submit to the Audit Board or prepare the documents which the latter regards as necessary for the performance of its duties; this applies in particular to:

- (a) the checking of the classification of expenditure according to different programme measures for which only material accuracy of the calculations could be determined and not the accuracy of the content;
- (b) the list of code numbers for payment orders; although these were changed during the financial year, the audit board was either not informed of this or informed only subsequently;
- (c) the entry of a large number of transactions in accounts other than the normal ones;
- (d) the lack of documentation on the progress of research work and the execution of contracts (the Audit Board had raised these matters in its 1965 Report);

19. Notes that infringements of the principle that the budget is restricted to one year are contrary to the existing rules and bypass the decisions of the budget authorities;

20. Urges the Commission, when presenting the operational budget, to prepare full details on the administration of the various funds, an essential precondition for making an evaluation;

### III

#### European Development Fund

21. Urges the Council to give the Commission a discharge in respect of the implementation of the 1970 budget after agreeing to the remarks and reservations contained hereinafter;

22. Expresses its earnest desire that, in harmony with the evolution of the right to audit and give discharges in respect of the implementation of the general budget as a result of the Treaty of 22 April 1970, it will also be authorized to give discharges in respect of the budgetary measures of the EDF;
23. Welcomes the recent speeding up of the allocation of the resources of the third European Development Fund;
24. Appreciates the fact that all records of administrative accounts and balances are being kept on cards so that accounts can be balanced every month, thus facilitating the task of auditing;
25. Considers that, if certain errors and omissions to which attention was drawn in the Audit Board's Report for 1970 are to be avoided:
- (a) the Commission of the European Communities should ensure painstaking and strict application of the regulations governing the working procedure of the Development Fund and also of its financial regulations, both of which have already been supplemented and improved by the Commission;
  - (b) a more precise definition of the terms of reference and division of responsibilities of the various auditors, authorizing officers, accounting officers, bookkeepers and officials empowered to authorize advances, would help to create the best possible conditions for financing and administering Community aid;
  - (c) it is essential, pursuant to Article 49 of the Financial Regulations, for normal conditions of competition to be ensured when contracts are awarded;
  - (d) the choice of consultancy offices to assist with technical aid related to investments and with the general technical cooperation for which the Commission is responsible, should be made under conditions which allow of a minimum of competition, and if the projects are not carried out or not completed by the agreed time limit financial penalties should be laid down;
  - (e) the present percentage figure for over-spending due to technical difficulties and to the use of quantities of supplies exceeding those estimated for the execution of projects must be lowered;
26. Is convinced that greater vigilance and stringency in applying the current regulations would have enabled many of the problems encountered in the financing of the three programmes for the training of supervisory staff for the operation and management of OTRACO to be avoided; regrets that these projects were marred by several of the problems referred to above, but recognizes that the Commission did try to remedy the situation;
27. Requests the Commission to remedy the delays which have occurred in submitting the accounts of the European Cooperation Association and also to improve the provisions for the payment of scholarship funds.

## RESOLUTION

### on the setting up of a Public Accounts Committee

*The European Parliament,*

decides that the responsible committees of the Parliament shall give urgent consideration to the setting up of a Public Accounts Committee to examine all expenditure undertaken in each financial year by all the institutions of the Community, a proposal which Parliament favours in principle.

## RESOLUTION

### on the Statement of Accounts of the European Parliament as of 31 December 1970

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the interim report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 262/70);
- having regard to its Resolution of 8 March 1971 <sup>(1)</sup>;
- having regard to the financial accounts and statements of the assets and liabilities of the Communities for the accountancy procedures in respect of the budget for 1970 and to the report of the Audit Board on the accounts submitted for the financial year 1970 (Doc. 163/71, I to IV);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 38/73);

1. Fixes the budget of the European Parliament as of 31 December 1970 at a final figure of 9 341 365.59 units of account in expenditure commitments incurred during this financial year, of 9 010 723.95 units of account actually spent and 330 641.64 units of account still to be paid out at the end of the financial year;
2. Welcomes the progress made in respecting the relevant budgetary provisions and urges the responsible departments of its secretariat to take account as far as possible of the representations of the Audit Board;
3. Gives a discharge to its President and Secretary-General, pursuant to Rule 50 (6) of its Rules of Procedure.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 26, 23. 3. 1971, p. 3.

## RESOLUTION

### on Draft Supplementary Budget No 1 of the Communities for the financial year 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Draft Supplementary Budget No 1 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973, drawn up by the Council (Doc. 34/73);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 44/73);

- (a) noting that the composition of the establishment plan of the Commission of the Communities for 1973 should reflect the effects of a partial restructuring of the departments, premature retirements and above all the enlargement of the Communities;
  - (b) considering therefore that the modifications proposed in this Draft Supplementary Budget will not result in substantial changes of either a quantitative or a qualitative nature in the establishment plan of the Commission of the Communities;
  - (c) considering nevertheless that these proposals should all have been presented within the framework of a supplementary budget, which could also have been an emendatory budget following the non-Accession of Norway;
  - (d) considering that the excessively fragmentary nature of the budgetary proposals amending the annual budget for the first three months of the year does not encourage clear decisions and complicates the procedures connected with the draft budget and draft supplementary budgets;
1. Confines itself to taking note of Draft Supplementary Budget No 1 of the Communities for the financial year 1973;
  2. Notes that, under these circumstances, pursuant to Article 78 A (4) of the ECSC Treaty, Article 203 a (4) of the EEC Treaty and Article 177 a (4) of the EAEC Treaty, Supplementary Budget No 1 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973 is deemed to be finally adopted;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution, the minutes of the sitting at which it was adopted and the report of the Committee on Budgets to the Council.

#### RESOLUTION

on the Resolution of the Parliamentary Committee of the EEC/East Africa Association adopted at Nairobi on 28 November 1972

*The European Parliament,*

- having noted the Resolution adopted on 28 November 1972 at Nairobi by the Parliamentary Committee of the Association between the European Economic Community and the East African Community (Doc. 255/72);
  - having regard to the report of its Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 3/73);
1. Welcomes the positive outcome of the first meeting of the Parliamentary Committee instructed to ensure, on a joint basis, political control of the workings and development of the EEC/East Africa Association;
  2. Endorses the conclusions reached by that committee in its Resolution;
  3. Stresses in particular the importance of the position adopted by the Parliamentary Committee on future relations between the EEC and the Partner States of the East African Community;
  4. Is convinced that these States will be called upon to play a decisive role in the preparation and progress of the forthcoming negotiations on renewal of the association between the EEC and the African countries and in the search for common ground between the associated and associable countries;
  5. Invites the Council and Commission of the European Communities to take all necessary measures to ensure that the aims of the Nairobi Resolution are achieved;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and in addition to the Parliaments of the Partner States of East Africa and to the East African Legislative Assembly for their information.

## RESOLUTION

### on the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt;
- having regard to the report of its Committee on Development and Cooperation and the Opinions of the Political Affairs Committee and the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 5/73);

1. Welcomes the fact that the appropriate committees of the European Parliament were informed of the essential content of the trade Agreement with the Arab Republic of Egypt by the Council before the Agreement was signed, considering that this Agreement is based on Article 113 of the Treaty of Rome, which is a new departure;

2. Underlines the great political importance of the Agreement which has been reached, which adds an important link to the Community's overall policy in the Mediterranean area;

3. Considers that the unilateral declaration by the Community concerning the application of the principle of non-discrimination does not fully compensate the corresponding unilateral declaration by the Arab Republic of Egypt;

4. Agrees that a Joint Committee should be set up under the above Agreement and requests the European Commission to keep its appropriate committees informed of the discussions in the Commission on the administration of the Agreement and, where appropriate, on the principle of non-discrimination;

5. Points out that more than half the population of Egypt is employed in agriculture, and that agricultural products are the principle export products of Egypt although barely a quarter of its exports to the EEC consist of such products;

6. Considers in the light of the above that the Community's concessions in the field of agriculture are fairly meagre;

7. Hopes that as the Community continues to develop its Mediterranean policy, it will be in a position to make more concessions in the agricultural sector, which does not necessarily exclude measures to guarantee reasonable price levels for the relevant products on the Community market;

8. Requests the Commission, in the content of the admittedly limited possibilities of the Community in regard to agricultural products, to determine whether in future the Community might not be able to act rather more generously in the field of industrial products;

9. Expresses, in other respects, its complete approval of the content of the Agreement in question;

10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and also to the Egyptian people's assembly for information.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation supplementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1191/69 of 26 June 1969 on action by Member States concerning the obligations inherent in the concept of a public service in transport by rail, road and inland waterway

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1516 fin.);
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 275/72);
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 28/73);

1. Considers that by not including certain transport undertakings and services in its field of application, Regulation (EEC) No 1191/69 created to their detriment some distortion in competition;
2. Accordingly approves the Commission's proposal for achieving greater harmonization in the conditions of competition by extending the scope of this Regulation;
3. Invites the Commission to examine the possibility of further extending the scope of this Regulation beyond the limits envisaged in this proposal;
4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution together with the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation supplementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1192/69 of 26 June 1969 on common rules for the normalization of the accounts of railway undertakings

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1517 fin.);
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 276/72);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 23/73);

1. Considers that since Regulation No 1192/69 <sup>(1)</sup> failed to bring certain railway undertakings within its scope, it had allowed to continue or even created a number of distortions of competition;
2. Approves, therefore, the proposal from the Commission aimed at harmonizing more closely the conditions of competition by extending the scope of the said Regulation;
3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 156. 28. 6. 1969, p. 8.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on agriculture in mountain areas and in certain other poorer farming areas

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(73) 202 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 333/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 11/73);
  - in view of the fact that the special difficulties which exist for agriculture in some areas of the Community have brought about a continuous worsening in the income and living conditions of farmers and that the negative effects of this worsening situation have repercussions on the general situation of local communities;
  - recognizing that the consequent exodus of the agricultural and rural population, and particularly of the young, may well bring about the depopulation of such areas and the final deterioration of the countryside by reason of the abandonment of cultivation and of the use of the soil;
1. Is of the Opinion that if it is in the general interest of society for a minimum population to remain in such areas in order to ensure, by its activities, the conservation of the countryside, suitable means must then be sought for offsetting the natural handicaps which prevent farmers in such areas from making a living similar to that of workers elsewhere;
  2. Points out that, as part of its common agricultural policy, by means of the standards already laid down for the reform of agriculture and in particular for the modernization of farms, the Community should give financial assistance to such farms as are capable of providing an income to farmers corresponding to that of other people in comparable social and professional classes;
  3. Considers, therefore, that, with a view to pursuing this objective, standards will have to be adapted to take account of the position of these special and clearly defined poorer areas;
  4. Therefore approves the general lines of the proposed Directive, pointing out that on various occasions in the past it has considered the special position of such areas of the Community, in the first place laying down, on its initiative, the need for special measures <sup>(1)</sup>, and in the second place pointing out the need for specific financial help by the Community to farms in such naturally unfavourable areas <sup>(2)</sup>;
  5. Hopes, however, that the existence of certain infrastructures in the poorer areas, as so rightly stated, will not prevent the immediate action desired for maintaining the farmers in such regions and thus ensuring the conservation of the countryside;
  6. Is of the opinion also that the proposed criteria for the delimitation of the poorer areas do not always correspond with the physical and climatic conditions and consequently with the income level of all those areas which it is felt necessary to include in the field of application of the Directive;
  7. Wonders whether the compensation fixed according to the gravity of existing handicaps will do enough to ensure that the farmers with small-sized holdings will remain permanently in the area;

<sup>(1)</sup> Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the proposal for a Directive on the modernization of farms (Doc. 176/71, Art. 13 (a)).

<sup>(2)</sup> Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture on the communication from the Commission to the Council on environmental policy (Doc. 74/72).

8. Is convinced that in poorer mountain areas some typical kinds of quality production should be maintained, since they may represent an important factor in the farmers' income;
9. Hopes that the Member States, in accordance with the present Directive and the financial participation by the Community provided for, will apply the necessary administrative measures and Regulations as quickly as possible so that within the shortest possible time the process of deterioration and depopulation of the poorer areas will be checked, while bearing in mind that some of the activities provided for will only show their full effects in the medium term;
10. Invites the Commission to present proposals for measures capable of providing encouragement for forest farms, in view of their ecological importance;
11. Invites the Commission to examine the problems which may arise, especially in regard to Article 6, second subparagraph, of the Directive, in national parks or nature conservancy areas situated in the regions referred to in Article 4 (2) as a result of the specific handicaps affecting agricultural production by virtue of regulations adopted in connection with environmental policy;
12. Finally draws attention to the essential need — in addition to the measures provided for in this directive — for rapid implementation of an active Community policy on regional development in order to deal with the socio-economic problems of the areas in question;
13. Invites the Commission to provide an analysis of the situation resulting from the application of the present provisions in the Annual Report provided for in Article 22 of Directive No 72/159/EEC;
14. Requests the Commission to adopt the following amendments pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
15. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for**

- I. a Regulation on imports of citrus fruit originating in the Republic of Lebanon
- II. a Regulation on imports of olive oil originating in the Republic of Lebanon

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>;
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1/73);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 30/73);

1. Notes that the proposed Regulations stipulate for some citrus fruits and for unrefined olive oil procedures for applying the import arrangements laid down in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Lebanon signed in Brussels on 18 December 1972;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 22, 19. 4. 1973, p. 12.



2. Notes that the arrangements contained in the proposed Regulations correspond to those laid down in the Agreements concluded with other Mediterranean countries and gives a favourable opinion on them;
3. Stresses, finally, the inadequacy of the procedure followed hitherto, by which the European Parliament is not consulted on trade Agreements concluded by the Community on the basis of Article 113 of the EEC Treaty;
4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation modifying Regulation (EEC) No 1059/69 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products (Doc. 9/73)**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council, (COM(73) 301 final);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 9/73);
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on External Economic Relations, (Doc. 50/73);
1. Approves the proposal, which facilitates administration of the market and the calculation of levies on processed agricultural products;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation No 121/67/EEC as regards the price recorded for pig carcasses in the Community**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM(73) 474 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 39/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 48/73);
1. Approves the proposed Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and explanatory statement to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending the Council Directive of 26 June 1964 on intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(73) 394 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 17/73);
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 33/73);
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concerning interest on sums paid out of the EAGGF and by way of food aid which are recoverable

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(73) 206 final);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 332/72);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 45/73);
1. Welcomes this proposal for a Regulation on the recovery of interest earned on the investment of sums paid in error;
  2. Considers, however, that recovery should be extended to cases where beneficiaries cannot plead good faith;
  3. Is of the Opinion that in fixing the rate of interest to be charged it will be necessary, on the one hand, to take account of the interest rates at which these sums can be invested and of the time for which they will have been held, and, on the other hand, to amend provisions already embodying an increase so as to harmonize them with the provisions of this Regulation;
  4. Accordingly invites the Commission to endorse the following amendment, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
  5. Wishes to be informed of the rules for applying Article 1 as specified in paragraph 3 thereof;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and to the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the emergency assistance to be given by the Community to alleviate the consequences of the drought in Africa

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling its Resolution of 7 May 1973 on the consequences of the drought in Africa (Doc. 49/73);
  - noting the diligent efforts made by the Commission of the Communities;
  - refusing in the present circumstances to allow procedural questions to delay the provision of essential assistance to peoples stricken by famine;
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 58/73);
1. Urges the Commission and the Council of the Communities, bearing in mind the estimated needs and the resources that can be mobilized, to take, as a matter of priority, all practical measures to eliminate the famine in the countries of Africa concerned;
  2. Requests that, in view of the urgency, all necessary decisions, particularly of a budgetary nature, be taken immediately to enable the Community to meet the cost of air freight for a part of these supplies, the remainder to be transported as soon as possible and at all events no later than June 1973;
  3. Invites Member States to work together closely with the Governments concerned by putting at their disposal, in particular, aircraft to operate from ports or storage points in Africa bringing Community assistance to the most outlying areas of the Sahelian region which are the hardest hit by the drought;
  4. Hopes that the resident supervisors appointed locally by the EEC will be given the necessary powers and freedom of action to enable them, in cooperation with the governments concerned, to respond effectively to the present calamitous situation;
  5. Instructs the committee responsible to keep a close watch on future developments in this area;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and also to the Council of Association and the governments and Parliaments of the associated States concerned and to the Parliaments of the Member States.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the treatment to be accorded to imports of a specific quantity of raw sugar originating in the associated African States and Madagascar

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(73) 353 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 19/73);
  - aware of the need to accord preferential treatment to imports of sugar originating in the AASM in order to put these countries more or less on a par with the preferential treatment enjoyed by the associable countries on the United Kingdom market within the framework of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement;
  - stressing the low level of the tonnage preferences granted by the Community by comparison with that requested by the States concerned and by comparison also with the volume of the Community's sugar trade and consumption;
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Development and Cooperation and to the opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 56/73);
1. Approves the proposed Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and its committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and, for information, to the Council of the Association between the EEC and the AASM.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 2829/72 on the Community quota for the transport of goods by road between Member States

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council, (Doc. COM (73) 198 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 18/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 81/73),
1. Regrets that the number of community authorizations was not fixed within the time set, that is by 31 March 1973;
  2. Approves the proposal of the Commission;
  3. Requests the Council to adopt the amending Regulation by the middle of the year;
  4. Requests the Council to adjust the number of Community authorizations in the light of experience during the first period of application;
  5. Stresses that the final arrangement must enter into force on 1 January 1975 and that after this date Community quotas must progressively replace bilateral quotas;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the European Parliament's Opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision on opening negotiations for an agreement between the European Economic Community and third countries concerning the system applicable to international road passenger transport by coach and bus

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1685 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 292/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 82/73),
1. Considers that the development of road passenger traffic between the Community and certain third countries makes it advisable to adopt standard rules applicable over the entire distances travelled;
  2. Considers that, since common rules already exist for passenger transport within the Community, it would be advisable to extend their scope where possible;
  3. Approves, therefore, the proposed Council Decision authorizing the Commission to open negotiations with certain third countries with a view to reaching agreement on this matter;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this motion for a Resolution and its committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type approval of mopeds

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1645 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 291/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 71/73),
1. Congratulates the Commission on its unceasing efforts to harmonize Member States' legislations with a view to eliminating technical barriers to trade;
  2. Approves the Commission's proposal in its entirety;
  3. Recommends that the Commission extend the scope of this Directive to include mopeds powered by electric motors, in view of the fact that such motors are less noisy than heat engines and do not pollute the air;
  4. Invites the Commission to consider the desirability of fixing a definite time-limit for notifying changes made in the information documents of mopeds referred to in Article 6 of the proposal, in the same way as the proposal provides for the notification of changes made in type approval certificates;
  5. Further invites the Commission, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty, to make the following amendment to Article 9 of the proposal;
  6. Urges the Commission to elaborate within the framework of Article 9, an appropriate formula for taking in good time such steps as the situation envisaged in that Article might call for in the interests of both road safety and intra-Community trade;
  7. Finally, requests the Commission to expedite its efforts to regulate at Community level the maximum levels admissible for the noise and air pollution generated by mopeds;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the improvement of traffic infrastructures across the Alps

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 85/73),
1. Expresses concern at the periodic congestion of road and rail traffic crossing the Alps;

2. Notes that the inadequacy of Alpine traffic infrastructure entails heavy costs for transport between Italy and the other Community countries and therefore inhibits the potential growth of trade between these territories;
3. Notes also that although it is the Community's aim either to transfer industries from zones of excessive concentration north of the Alps to regions suffering from structural unemployment or, at the very least, to divert an increasing proportion of growth to the south, this process is being hampered by the obstacle to traffic presented by the Alps;
4. Notes with concern that the difficulties facing traffic crossing the Alps may put the southernmost Member State of the Community at a disadvantage in the course of the restructuring process;
5. Considers that vigorous measures must be taken to remedy the shortcomings encountered in customs operations and in the organization of traffic;
6. Asks in particular that the improvement of traffic infrastructures across the Alps be treated as a European priority;
7. Calls for immediate steps to open negotiations with the appropriate authorities in the Member States and with the authorities in Switzerland, Austria and Yugoslavia, in order to
  - (a) jointly discuss the general problem of road and rail traffic across the Alps with due regard for Community requirements,
  - (b) compile a list of common priorities,
  - (c) provide for joint financing procedures;
8. Stresses that these plans should cover not only highways in passes and tunnels, and stretches of railway tracks in the mountains and railway tunnels, but also access roads in the pre-Alps north and south;
9. Asks that priority be given to the railway projects;
10. Asks that a detailed study be made of the prospects for establishing links across the Alps for the future network of new high-speed trains such as hover and magnetic suspension trains;
11. Considers that plans for new railway tracks and roads must take into account a future extension of the network of oil pipelines across the Alps;
12. Considers it necessary for economic reasons and hence in the interests of integration, to devote greater attention to the legitimate structural interests of the Alpine region when planning the necessary improvement of traffic infrastructures across the Alps;
13. Regards the specific development of traffic facilities in this area as an essential prerequisite for the development of existing or establishment of new undertakings;
14. Instructs its Chairman to forward this Resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

### on reform of the world monetary system

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Resolutions, particularly those of 22 September 1971 <sup>(1)</sup> and 15 February 1973 <sup>(2)</sup>,
- having regard to paragraph 4 of the Final Communiqué issued by the Heads of State or of Government at their meeting on 19 to 21 October 1972,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 60/73),

1. Is of the opinion that the adjustments of exchange rates have provided a good basis for reform of the world monetary system and shown once again the need for such reform; also stresses that the reorganization of international monetary relations can only produce lasting results if the Member States of the International Monetary Fund adopt an economic policy aimed at stability;
2. Urges all parties concerned to refrain from any measures that restrict trade;
3. Considers it desirable for the world monetary system to conform to the following guidelines and principles, and requests the Commission and the Council to take the necessary steps;

#### *I. as regards the adjustment of exchange rates:*

1. the exchange rate of a currency is of international importance and consequently does not only affect the country directly concerned; accordingly, the Member States of the International Monetary Fund must lay down a fixed exchange rate for their currency with the possibility of slight parity changes as often as required while maintaining existing fluctuation bands;
2. any fundamental disturbance in the balance of payments must not be analysed solely on the basis of a single criterion but in the light of all relevant considerations;
3. disturbances in the balance of payments must be removed symmetrically, meaning that parity changes must be made — under sanctions, if necessary — when the balance of payments shows a large surplus or a large deficit;

#### *II. as regards the composition of the currency reserves:*

4. the size of foreign exchange reserves must be reduced progressively to the level of working balances;
5. it would be advisable in the long term to substitute special drawing rights for both foreign exchange and gold in the currency reserves; this means that special drawing rights should no longer be linked with gold and that the foreign exchange prices of this reserve instrument should be raised;
6. in the long term it must be considered whether special drawing rights should be used for support action on foreign exchange markets;
7. it will become necessary to raise interest rates on special drawing rights to the market level;
8. special drawing rights must be issued solely to meet the requirements of the world monetary system; for this purpose it is important to keep special drawing rights on a tight rein;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 100, 12. 10. 1971, p. 10.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 14, 27. 3. 1973, p. 36.

III. *as regards consolidation of US short-term official commitments:*

9. some of the short-term official commitments of the United States must be consolidated both bilaterally and through the IMF;

IV. *as regards the control of international capital movements:*

10. in order to cushion the disruptive effects of short-term capital movements:
- (a) coordination must be achieved between the interest rate policies of the major industrial countries,
  - (b) the monetary authorities must have the requisite internal instruments of monetary policy at their disposal (including administrative controls and the possibility of a two-tier foreign exchange market),
  - (c) international financing by means of loans from surplus to deficit countries must be improved;

V. *as regards monetary integration in the Community:*

11. the Community should help to restore stable international monetary relations by:
- (a) submitting a Community plan on this subject to the Committee of Twenty <sup>(1)</sup> in the near future,
  - (b) extending the powers and total resources of the European Fund for Monetary Cooperation, while maintaining the necessary parallel progress with the integration of economic policies,
  - (c) removing capital controls within the Community but maintaining Community instruments to restrict capital transactions with third countries,
- and by
- (d) Great Britain, Ireland and Italy joining in the Community system of external floating;

VI. *as regards the powers of the International Monetary Fund:*

12. the powers of the IMF must be increased in the areas mentioned in Sections I and II;
4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and the parliaments and governments of the Member States.

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<sup>(1)</sup> The term 'Committee of Twenty' is used in this report to denote the 'Committee on Reform of the International Monetary System and Related Issues'.



## RESOLUTION

on the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on initial measures to establish a common vocational training policy and on the list of priority projects in the vocational training field to be undertaken in 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on initial measures to establish a common vocational training policy (Doc. 239/72) and on the list of priority projects in the vocational training field to be undertaken in 1973 (Doc. 20/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 83/73),
1. Considers that attention should be chiefly directed to the following guiding principles underlying a common vocational training policy;
    - (a) that vocational training must not be merely technical but must aim at a complete development of the human personality;
    - (b) that vocational training and its supervision should concentrate increasingly on the general good;
    - (c) that rapid readaptation is not possible without a sound basic training;
    - (d) that the expansion of the labour market with the achievement of effective free movement of manpower and of social mobility makes it necessary to standardize the models, methods and criteria of vocational training, the style of teaching and instruction, the number of years and the standard of preparation, the age at which training should be given, the professions to which it should give access and the 'market' demand;
  2. Considers, however, that the general principles approved by the Council of Ministers in 1963 are still valid;
  3. Regrets that these principles have not been put into effect by the Member States, particularly the fourth which envisages a certain right of initiative to be exercised by the EEC Commission and the tenth which deals with joint financing of the projects;
  4. Invites the Member States to implement these principles and urges the Commission to take practical measures to promote their implementation;
  5. Notes that the first programme prepared by the Commission in 1965 has, as the Commission itself admits, proved rather unsuccessful, for three reasons: lack of experience of the methods to be used, failure to make a sufficient distinction between short-term projects (for example, exchange of information) and long-term projects (for example, harmonization of standards and structures) and finally, the inadequacy of the financial resources available;
  6. Believes that the new programme may also fail in the same way, since some of the difficulties experienced previously, especially the lack of financial resources and staff, have not been eliminated;
  7. Considers that the appropriations earmarked in the 1973 budget under the heading 'Vocational Training' are completely inadequate;
  8. Insists that the Council provide the Commission with the necessary financial resources for the vocational training section of the social programme which will be laid down in 1973 in accordance with the Decision of the Paris Summit so that it can be effectively implemented and not remain a dead letter;

9. Notes with regret that the new programme is in some respects a retrograde step compared with that of 1965, for instance, in its failure to create experimental centres, to prepare job profiles and to lay down detailed measures for agriculture, etc.
10. Regrets that the Commission's programme confines itself in too many instances to envisaging exchanges of information and experience, a certain coordination at Community level and the organization of study groups and seminars, thus giving the impression that we are still, after all these years of the Community's existence, at a preparatory stage and have not yet reached, except in certain specific sectors, the phase of practical and decisive Community action;
11. Invites the Commission as a matter of urgency to incorporate more specific and direct action in its future general programme;
12. Urges the Commission to put forward Community vocational training programmes for migrant workers either in their country of origin or in the places where such immigration is mainly concentrated;
13. Invites the Commission to include industry among the sectors which are to be given priority (see project H) for Community action in the area of vocational training;
14. Emphasizes the importance of vocational training for the handicapped (see project G 5), to which insufficient attention has been paid in the past;
15. Stresses the risks involved in the fact that the Council of Ministers has only approved some of the projects to be undertaken in 1973, postponing all other projects to the future general programme, since this may prevent the necessary financial resources and staff being made available for implementation of the programme as from 1 January 1974;
16. Considers it essential in this context for the vocational training centre mentioned in the 'Outline of a social action programme' to be endowed with the financial resources necessary for it to carry out its important tasks;
17. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying explanatory statement to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the results of the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Parliamentary Conference of the  
EEC/AASM Association

*The European Parliament,*

- referring to its Resolutions of 20 January 1965 <sup>(1)</sup>, 11 March 1966 <sup>(2)</sup>, 15 March 1967 <sup>(3)</sup>, 22 January 1968 <sup>(4)</sup>, 4 March 1969 <sup>(5)</sup>, 12 March 1970 <sup>(6)</sup>, 17 May 1971 <sup>(7)</sup> and 17 March 1972 <sup>(8)</sup>, and
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 87/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No 20, 6. 2. 1965, p. 281/65.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No 59, 24. 3. 1966, p. 778/66.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No 63, 3. 4. 1967, p. 975/67.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 10, 14. 2. 1968, p. 5.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 41, 1. 4. 1969.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No C 40, 3. 4. 1970, p. 33.

<sup>(7)</sup> OJ No C 55, 3. 6. 1971, p. 5.

<sup>(8)</sup> OJ No C 36, 12. 4. 1972.

1. Endorses the conclusions reached by the Parliamentary Conference of the EEC/AASM Association in its Resolutions adopted on 31 March 1973 at Kinshasa;
2. Intends to follow closely the fulfilment of the commitment entered into by the Paris Summit Conference confirming the importance attached by the Community to the Association policy, the cornerstone of an overall policy of world-wide cooperation on development;
3. Supports the Commission's endeavours to work out for the future new methods of adapting the commercial sector of the Association to current development needs of the Associated States;
4. Invites the Committee on Budgets to consider the proposal to include the European Development Fund in the budget, and if possible to increase the funds available to it as from 1975, by allocations from the Community's own resources.
5. Invites Community authorities and Member States to take account of the interests of Associated States and to hold the necessary consultations in good time on the action to be taken by common agreement in international monetary institutions and during multilateral trade negotiations in GATT;
6. Stresses the importance it attaches to active preparation of negotiations on the renewal and enlargement of the Association;
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of the appropriate committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and, for information, to the Presidents of the Parliaments of the Associated African States and Madagascar and to the members of the Parliamentary Conference of the Association.

## RESOLUTION

on the report of the ECSC auditor for the financial year 1970

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report of the ECSC auditor for 1970 (Doc. 182/71);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 78/73);

### *A. The ECSC's budgetary and financial activities*

1. Notes that the ECSC's budgetary expenditure was 44 449 174 units of account in 1970, of which 11 362 949 units of account went on readaptation, 12 459 425 on research and 18 000 000 on administrative expenditure, and that the total expenditure for the same financial year was 89 574 624 units of account;
2. Notes that revenue from the levy amounted to 39 505 335 units of account and that total revenue was 100 001 033 units of account, which means that the surplus of revenue over expenditure was 10 426 409 units of account;

3. Finds that the ECSC's balance sheet and management accounts for the financial year 1970 tally completely with the accounts forwarded to the auditor;
4. Approves, after examining the auditor's conclusions, the ECSC's accounts for the financial year 1970;

*B. Control of the ECSC's budgetary and financial activities*

5. Is aware that a continuous dialogue began this year between its appropriate committee and the ECSC auditor; regards this dialogue as a basic factor enabling Parliament to perform its task of controlling the budgetary and financial activities of one the European Communities;
6. Notes with satisfaction that the auditor was satisfied as to the following:
  - (a) his overall control or spot checks of the recording and collecting of receipts from the levy, of expenditure in respect of readaptation and research and of the management of the ECSC's funds;
  - (b) the conditions of cooperation with the departments supervised in regard to his continuous *a posteriori* control of financial and budgetary transactions;
  - (c) the conditions under which internal control is effected of the ECSC's revenue and expenditure, in particular local checks in respect of levy statements and research expenditure;
7. Hopes, however, that the auditor will, where necessary, be able to take part in certain local checks in cooperation with the internal auditors;
8. Welcomes the fact that the body of control mechanisms which had proved successful before the executives were merged became fully effective again in 1970.

*C. Presentation of the balance sheet and statement of revenue and expenditure of the ECSC*

9. In the light of the auditor's comments on the ECSC's accounts, requests the Commission of the European Communities to submit to it as soon as possible a detailed study of possible ways of presenting the estimates and balance sheets of the ECSC's financial activities in order to give a clearer picture of budgetary realities and commitments.

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10. Requests the Commission of the Communities to bear in mind the comments and suggestions made in Parts B and C of this resolution;
11. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its appropriate committee to the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a transfer of funds to cover the balance sheet of research and investment expenditure for the financial year 1973 (Annex I to Section III (Commission) of the Budget of the European Communities)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (SEC (73) 1306 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 41/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and the Opinion of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 79/73);
1. Approves the proposal for a transfer of 8 935 million units of account from Chapter 98, 'Provisional unassigned appropriations' to Chapter 33, 'Expenditure on research and investment';
  2. Invites the Council to consult it as soon as possible on the 1973 amending budget, showing the annual funds earmarked for Euratom broken down into the various chapters and articles;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Commission and Council of the Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the estimates of revenue and expenditure of the European Parliament for the financial year 1974

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rules 49 and 50 of its Rules of Procedure;
  - having regard to the draft estimates and accompanying report drawn up by the appropriate committee (Doc. 86/73);
1. Resolves to postpone any changes in its establishment plan until the draft budget of the Communities is considered, so as to take account of the situation as it stands after the current procedure of filling available posts, particularly in view of the enlargement of the Community;
  2. Increases its estimates in relation to 1973, primarily to take account of the higher salaries resulting from the enlargement of the establishment plan as a consequence of the accession of new Member States, 12 months' salaries being chargeable to the financial year as against 6 months' in 1973, and of the expenditure on rental of premises, which also covers a full year as against six months in the financial year 1973;
  3. Accordingly fixes its estimates of revenue and expenditure for 1974 at 29 779 755 units of account, as shown in the following breakdown;
  4. Instructs its Committee on Budgets to keep the implementation of these estimates under review, with due regard to the principles set out in the explanatory statement accompanying this motion;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution, the attached budget estimates and the report of its committee to the Commission of the European Communities and, for information, to the Council of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on an amendment to Rule 37 (1) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament,  
concerning the number of vice-chairmen of the committees

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 75/73),

1. Decides to amend Rule 37 (1) of the Rules of Procedure as follows:

*'Rule 37*

1. Parliament shall set up standing or temporary, general or special committees, and shall define their powers and duties. The Bureau of each committee shall consist of a chairman and *one, two or three* vice-chairmen. No Representative who is a member of a national government may be a member of the Bureau of a committee.
  2. Committee members shall be elected at the beginning of the session which opens each year on the second Tuesday in March. Candidatures shall be addressed to the Bureau of Parliament, which shall lay before Parliament proposals designed to ensure fair representation of Member States and of political views.
  3. Should any dispute arise, Parliament shall decide thereon by secret ballot.
  4. The Bureau of Parliament may provisionally decide to fill any vacancy on a committee with the agreement of the persons concerned and having regard to the provisions of paragraph 2 above.
  5. Any such changes shall be laid before Parliament for ratification at its next sitting.'
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution for information to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the amendment of Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Rules of Procedure;
- having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 76/73);

1. Decides to amend Rule 48 of its Rules of Procedure as follows:

*'Rule 48*

1. Petitions to Parliament shall show the name, occupation, nationality and permanent address of each petitioner.
2. Petitions shall be entered in a register in the order in which they are received if they comply with the conditions laid down in paragraph 1 above; *those that do not shall be filed without further action, and the petitioner shall be informed of the reason therefor.*
3. Petitions entered in the register shall be referred by the President to one of the committees set up under Rule 37 (1) which shall first ascertain whether they fall within the sphere of activities of the Communities; *those that do not shall be filed without further action.*

4. At the request of the appropriate committee, petitions declared admissible shall be *filed without further action* or forwarded by the President, together with the committee's Opinion, to the Commission or Council. The committee consulted may report to Parliament.

5. Notice shall be given in open sitting of the petitions *entered in the register* referred to in paragraph 2 above, and of the decision to *file*, forward or report on them.

Such announcements shall be entered in the minutes of proceedings. The petitioner shall be notified of the *decision taken and the reasons therefor*.

6. The texts of petitions entered in the register, together with the texts of committee Opinions forwarded with them, shall be preserved in the records of Parliament where they shall be available for inspection by any Representative.'

2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution, for information, to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive extending the time limit for implementation of the Council Directives of 17 April 1972 on the reform of agricultural structures

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 533 fin.);

— having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 64/73);

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 84/73);

1. Regrets that Parliament was not consulted on this Directive until after the expiry of the time limit for taking implementing measures in the Member States, as laid down in the Directives on the reform of agricultural structure, thus creating a legal vacuum;

2. Expects the Commission to submit by 1 August 1973 a report explaining in detail the effects of current Community and national measures on the reform of agricultural structure, and in particular, the extent to which procedures for enforcing the necessary national measures have been successfully implemented;

3. Considers it self-evident that the measures envisaged in this Directive should become effective immediately in the case of the Member State which has taken measures to comply with the provisions of the Directives;

4. Approves the proposed Directive subject to the above observations;

5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the levies applicable to imports of mature cattle and to meat from such cattle originating in Yugoslavia

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 587 final);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 43/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 72/73);
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning fertilizers

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (71) 1500 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 238/71);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 54/73);
  - believing that fertilizers constitute a key factor of agricultural production;
1. Welcomes this proposal for a Directive as a first attempt, after lengthy preparation, to approximate some of the provisions laid down by law, Regulation or administrative action in the Member States;
  2. Considers, however, that such approximation, which is essential for the establishment and functioning of the common agricultural market, must be supplemented by additional Community measures in this sector;
  3. Requests the Commission, therefore, to submit a work schedule and timetable indicating what measures must be taken:
    - to reach agreement on a uniform criterion for evaluating Thomas slag;
    - to approximate national regulations on dangerous materials, including explosives, in connection with ammonium nitrate; and finally;
    - to approximate provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action governing liquid fertilizers and secondary or trace nutrients;



4. Urges that, before provisions laid down by law, regulation or administrative action for implementing this Directive come into effect, Community provisions for establishing sampling procedures and methods of analysis must be adopted;
5. Believes that the proposed partial liberalization of the fertilizer trade in the Community will only be fully effective, particularly in the interests of the agricultural consumer, if any infringements are detected through regular checks carried out by jointly established methods and suitably penalized;
6. Approves in principle the following proposal for a directive;
7. Urges the Commission, however, pursuant to Article 149 <sup>(2)</sup> of the EEC Treaty, to embody in its proposal the amendments set out below;
8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on a Regulation fixing for the 1973/74 sugar marketing year the derived intervention prices, the intervention prices for raw beet sugar, the minimum prices for beet, the threshold prices, the guaranteed quantity, the maximum amount of the production levy and the special maximum quota

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 857 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 94/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 97/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation fixing the main intervention centres for oilseeds for the 1973/74 marketing year and the derived intervention prices applicable in these centres

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 888 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 95/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 98/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for

- I. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Port wines falling within subheading ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal,
- II. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Madeira wines falling within subheading ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal
- III. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Moscatel de Setubal wines falling within subheading ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal.

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the Communities to the Council (COM (73) 586 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 42/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 77/73),
1. Notes that these proposals for regulations are the result of the agreement between the EEC and the Portuguese Republic, which came into force on 1 January 1973, and apply to the period from 1 July 1973 to 31 December 1973;
  2. Notes with satisfaction that, in accordance with the wishes consistently expressed by the European Parliament, the Commission of the Communities has provided for the formation of Community reserves within the framework of administration of the quotas;
  3. Approves these proposals for regulations in the form proposed by the Commission;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its appropriate committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the texts of the Supplementary Protocols to the EEC/Tunisia and EEC/Morocco Association Agreements following the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Supplementary Protocols to the EEC/Tunisia and EEC/Morocco Association Agreements following the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community (COM (73) 101 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 238 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 26/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 51/73).
1. Approves these recommendations for Regulations;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying explanatory statement to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 1463/70 of 20 July 1970 on the introduction of recording equipment in road transport

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1440 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 76 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 256/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs and Public Health (Doc. 88/73),
1. Considers that it is necessary to facilitate the accelerated introduction, during the period preceding compulsory introduction, of recording equipment on vehicles used for the carriage of dangerous goods;
  2. Considers that the present non-availability on the market of recording equipment that meets Community standards necessitates the use of equipment that has received national approval;
  3. Acknowledges that those concerned should be given the opportunity to amortize such equipment, which has been made compulsory from now on by certain States;
  4. Approves, therefore, the Commission's Proposal for a Regulation which allows Member States to make compulsory, during the transitional period, 'national' recording equipment and then put back by five years the obligation to use 'Community' equipment;
  5. Urges, however, that the date for introducing the obligation to install or to use recording equipment on vehicles used for the carriage of dangerous goods remains fixed at 1 January 1975 at the latest, even if, for lack of 'Community' equipment on the market, it is necessary to introduce 'national' equipment;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this motion for a Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for Decisions to set up two research programmes in the field of new technologies and recycling raw materials

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 659 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty, (Doc. 67/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the Opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 89/73);
  - having regard to its earlier resolutions in this sector, in particular the resolution of 11 December 1972 on the proposals for three decisions and other documents on the Communities' new multi-year research and training programmes (Doc. 240/72) <sup>(1)</sup>,
1. Approves the proposals from the Commission;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 138, 31. 12. 1972, p. 9.

2. Notes that non-nuclear research projects are being based on Article 235 of the EEC Treaty and thereby given an appropriate foundation in law;
3. Regards these measures, in so far as they are put into effect, as the first steps of a necessary development in the research field which the European Parliament has always advocated;
4. Stresses that the initiation of these projects can greatly contribute both to improvement of the security of energy supplies and to economies in raw materials in the Community if it leads to further action in this field at the appropriate time, and invites the Commission to prepare suitable measures at this stage;
5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Commission and Council of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a regulation providing for special measures in respect of colza and rape seed for sowing and adapting in respect of these products the nomenclature given in Regulations No 136/66/EEC, (EEC) No 2358/71 and (EEC) No 950/68

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 545 fin.);
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 (2) of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 66/73);
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 92/73);
1. Approves the proposal from the Commission;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation temporarily suspending the autonomous duties in the Common Customs Tariff on a number of agricultural products

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal of the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 761 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 80/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 93/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Invites the Commission nevertheless to submit to it a report on the reasons for the inadequate supplies of certain of the agricultural products referred to in the proposal;
  3. Urges that, within the framework of environmental policy, the Council, on a proposal from the Commission and after receiving the Opinion of the European Parliament, take all necessary measures for effectively combating water pollution, which is in part responsible for the decline in Community production in the fisheries sector;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on a proposal for a transfer of appropriations to the 'Statement of Expenditure relating to Research and Investment Activities' for the financial year 1973 (Annex I to Section III — Commission — of the Budget of the European Communities)

*The European Parliament,*

- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 130/73),
  - pending its Opinion on draft supplementary budget No 3 of the Communities for 1973,
  - having regard to the report by its Committee on Budgets (Doc. 133/73),
1. Approves the proposal for a transfer from Chapter 98 to Chapter 33 of Section III of the Budget of the European Communities at the following rate:
    - 3 787 million units of account = requirements for July 1973
    - 7 574 million units of account = requirements for August and September 1973 if the rectifying budget has not been drawn up in the meantime;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and its committee's report to the Commission and Council of the Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the draft annual accounts of the European Parliament for the financial year 1972  
(1 January 1972 to 31 December 1972)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the interim report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 132/73),
1. Points out that the appropriations available for the financial year 1972 amounted to 16 337 399.44 units of account, of which 15 960 195 units of account are entered in its budget for the financial year 1972 and 377 204.44 units of account automatically carried forward from the financial year 1971 to 1972.
  2. Notes:
    - (a) that the commitments of expenditure entered into up to 31 December 1972 for the financial year 1972 amount to 15 017 553.18 units of account;
    - (b) — that the payments made in respect of the financial year 1972 by 31 December 1972 amount to 13 042 358.09 units of account;
      - that payments made under the special Decision of the Council authorizing the closure of operations for the financial year 1972 on 15 February 1973 amount to 614 366.97 units of account;
    - (c) — that the sums still unpaid at the close of the financial year 1972 amount to 1 360 808.12 units of account;
      - that the corresponding appropriations are automatically carried forward;
  3. Decides that:
    - (a) the unused appropriations of 111 901.76 units of account shall be cancelled pursuant to Article 202 of the EEC Treaty;
    - (b) the unused available appropriations for 1972 amounting to 942 661.82 units of account shall be cancelled;

4. Defers its final Decision on the discharge in respect of the financial year 1972 (to be taken pursuant to Article 50A (2) and (3) of the Rules of Procedure) until the accounts have been checked by the audit bodies of the Community under the conditions laid down in the Treaty.

5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its Committee to the Commission of the Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the outcome of the meeting of the Council of the European Communities on 22 March 1973,  
on energy problems

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to the outcome of the meeting of the Council of the European Communities on 22 May 1973 to discuss energy problems,

— having regard to the final communiqué issued at the meeting of Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the European Communities and the States applying for accession held in Paris from 19 to 21 October 1972,

— having regard to its previous Decisions, in particular

— that of 12 October 1972 on the security of adequate Community energy supplies with a view to safeguarding, promoting and further developing the Community's competitive ability on the world market, as a precondition for economic growth, full employment and a progressive social policy <sup>(1)</sup>, and

— that of 8 May 1973 on the communications from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 175/72 (a) and (b)) on

(a) the progress necessary in Community energy policy,

(b) energy policy; problems and resources for the period 1975-1985 <sup>(2)</sup>;

1. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has succeeded in reactivating the debate on a Community energy policy and urges it to be unremitting in its efforts to implement this policy in the face of all possible future setbacks;

2. Likewise welcomes the fact that the Council has for the first time held a meeting devoted exclusively to questions of energy policy, despite the considerable lag behind developments in this field, and that it approved in principle a number of Commission Proposals and declared its intention of holding further meetings on energy policy in the fairly near future;

3. Regrets to note, however, by contrast with the Commission, that while acknowledging the urgency of the problems to be solved, the Council was unable to lay down guidelines for a Community energy policy, although the Commission had submitted to it adequate proposals and priorities, which had been approved in principle by the European Parliament;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 37, 4. 6. 1973, p. 19.

4. Further regrets that despite its powers, the Council was unable to reach any trade policy decisions with regard to hydrocarbons, having failed to achieve the necessary unanimity, and that it has therefore not yet carried out the task assigned to it by the Paris Summit Meeting in the matter of energy policy;
5. Refers to its repeated past observations that
  - (a) in view of general political developments, there is no longer any alternative to a Community energy policy and consequently to the provision of the necessary powers, pursuant initially to Article 235 and subsequently to Article 236 of the EEC Treaty,
  - (b) the situation will become more difficult the longer the Member States pursue separate energy policies, instead of acting through the Community institutions, since this will affect and even jeopardize attainment of the aims of the Treaty.
6. Urges the Commission not to abdicate its responsibility to take initiatives in the area of energy policy and thus forestall the danger of being pushed aside by the Governments of the Member States;
7. Is of the opinion that in the interests of securing the Community's energy supply, the Council must take the decisions it has been deferring and agree as early as October of this year on the priorities to be established in the matter of energy policy;
8. Considers in these circumstances that research on new sources and better use of available sources of energy is more necessary than ever and accordingly urges the Council and the Member States once again to provide the Commission *forthwith* with the requisite powers, where these are not already granted by the ECSC Treaty and the Euratom Treaty;
9. Considers that it will be the Council's own fault if the security of the Community's energy supply in the long term is jeopardized by its intention not to decide until the end of 1973 at the earliest on the new proposals to be made by the Commission on
  - the development of cooperation between energy importing and exporting countries,
  - better use of nuclear energy,
  - the utilization of natural gas,
  - the environmental protection problems related to energy policy,
  - the rational use of energy and particularly the waste of energy,
  - research on new sources of energy,
  - the role of coal within the Community;
10. Requests the Council therefore to settle these questions in October 1973 along with the other matters on which decisions are to be reached at that time;
11. Requests its responsible committee to continue keeping a close watch on energy policy developments and to report to it where necessary;
12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the programme of environmental action of the European Communities together with proposed measures to be taken in this field

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Resolution of 19 November 1970 <sup>(1)</sup> on the protection of inland waterways with special reference to the pollution of the Rhine and of 10 February 1972 <sup>(2)</sup> on the need for Community action against air pollution,
  - having regard to its Resolutions of 18 April 1972 <sup>(3)</sup> on the first memorandum from the Commission on a Community environmental policy and of 3 July 1972 and the memorandum from the Commission to the Council <sup>(4)</sup> on a European Communities' environmental programme,
  - having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 530/fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 62/73),
  - having noted the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 106/73),
1. Stresses once again the urgent need for increased knowledge of environmental problems and effective measures to protect the environment at Community level;
  2. Welcomes, therefore, the fact that, in implementation of the decisions taken at the Paris Summit Conference of October 1972, the Commission has submitted a draft programme of environmental action of the European Communities;
  3. Notes that this action programme is simply a continuation of the Commission memorandum to the Council of March 1972 <sup>(5)</sup> on a European Communities' environmental action programme;
  4. Insists that the Council should comply with the demands of the Paris Summit Conference of October 1972 and adopt this action programme before 31 July 1973, having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;
  5. Protests most strongly against the fact that the Council, which in this urgent matter took more than one month to decide whether to give the European Parliament a hearing at all, only consulted the European Parliament on an optional basis about the action programme based on Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (COM (73) 530 fin., B and C), and — in agreement with the Commission of the European Communities — bases its opinion on the belief that this is a gross contravention of Article 235 of the EEC Treaty and of the demands of the Paris Summit Conference and that in fact it was consulted on an obligatory basis about the whole action programme;
  6. Also stresses that it is not enough simply to adopt the action programme and that the decisive requirement is the implementation of this programme by the Council by establishing priorities and taking effective legislative action on environmental protection within the set time;
  7. Explicitly reserves its final opinion on the implementing provisions and expects the Council to consult it on time in each case in order to avoid having to deliver its Opinion under pressure of time;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 143, 3. 12. 1970, p. 30.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 19, 28. 2. 1972, p. 29.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 46, 9. 5. 1972, p. 10.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 82, 26. 7. 1972, p. 42.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 52, 26. 5. 1972, p. 1.



8. Points out that priority must be given to the elimination or at least rapid reduction of existing environmental pollution and nuisances and that at the same time effective preventive action must be taken against environmental risks;
9. Urges the Commission to submit practical proposals to the Council in the first half of 1974 at the latest concerning pollutants requiring priority investigation (lead and compounds thereof, sulphur compounds, nitrogen oxides, etc);
10. Stresses the need for Community surveillance of environmental pollution and effective supervision of compliance with Community legal acts in the field of environmental protection, and therefore urges the Commission to submit a Regulation laying down the appropriate controlling powers;
11. Takes the view that preliminary work to establish methods of defining the quality objectives for the soil, the urban environment, the atmosphere, ground waters and lakes must begin immediately and that a method of defining the quality objectives for the atmosphere at least must be worked out by the end of 1974 at the latest;
12. Considers that merely to study the problems connected with the use of dangerous substances and preparations, with the chemical properties of packaging materials and the technological possibilities of reducing nuisances due to motor vehicles is not sufficient and therefore urges the Commission to submit practical proposals for harmonization as soon as possible, taking account of the results of the investigations;
13. Repeats its demand for an 'environment seal of quality' to be introduced in the Community for durable products which can easily be reprocessed and cause little contamination of the environment during the production and consumption stages, and for the sale of products which do not comply with the requirements for the award of this seal of quality to be allowed only on condition that they are marked with an appropriate warning;
14. Emphasizes that the necessary measures for the protection of the environment will not only place burdens on industry, but will also lead to the growth of specialized industries, which develop non-pollutant products and technologies to preserve and restore a natural and healthy environment;
15. Insists once again that in the interests of effective environmental protection the Council must at last bring about a Community solution to the problem of limiting the presence of residues of pesticides in and on fruit and vegetables;
16. Urges the Commission to present appropriate proposals to the Council immediately on the most urgent cases of pollution in frontier areas;
17. Points out the urgent need for effective Community measures for the handling and storage of radioactive wastes and calls upon the Commission to set binding deadlines for these measures at once;
18. Urges the Council, in awareness of its responsibilities as regards the environment, to adopt the Commission's proposal for a Directive on agriculture in mountain areas and in certain other poorer farming areas at an early date in spite of the difficulties encountered;
19. Again points out that, to preserve the natural environment, early measures are needed as part of Community regional programmes, based on increased afforestation and the establishment of recreation areas, in particular the creation of nature parks on the French pattern;
20. Urgently appeals to the Commission to take action, pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty, to forbid the killing of songbirds and migratory birds throughout the Community;

21. Attaches great importance to the proposed projects aimed at improving the working environment and requests the Commission to submit proposals for harmonizing legislation in this field as soon as possible;
22. Welcomes the creation of a European foundation to improve living and working conditions, but insists that the Commission must draw up a practical programme of work for this foundation in the proposal it is to submit to the Council and charges it with coordinating environmental research and studies at Community level;
23. Recalls its earlier request to the Commission to publish its memoranda on protection of the environment in an easily comprehensible summary form, and urges the Commission to make good this shortcoming and provide the public with comprehensive information on the hazards of environmental pollution and the means of combating it;
24. Again points to the need for the Commission to use the mass media in a wide-ranging and ambitious publicity and educational campaign designed to develop a greater awareness of the environment in the Community's population;
25. Invites the Commission to take the initiative in providing basic teaching material for school use in all Member States, so that the young will take an active interest in the problems of the European Communities in general and of a Community and world-wide environmental policy in particular;
26. Supports the projected Community environmental action in international organizations but insists that the European Parliament, as a Community institution, should be given at least observer status during the various preliminary negotiations and consultations;
27. Points out that, since environmental problems are not confined to the Member States, early contact must be made with the appropriate institutions and organizations in third countries with a view to permanent cooperation so as to ensure a large measure of coordination of measures to protect the environment;
28. Urges the Commission also to make contact with research establishments in third countries in order to study the possibility of effective measures for maintaining or restoring a balanced oxygen supply on our planet;
29. Points out that the European Parliament's terminology office has done particularly useful work in the environmental field and urges the other Community institutions to make use of this work so that it will not be duplicated and in order to facilitate negotiations at Community and international level and to establish a standard environmental protection terminology in the official languages of the Community;
30. Agrees in principle with the projected introduction of a Community information procedure in the field of protection of the environment, but repeats its earlier request that Member States should be obliged to give the Commission the reasons for laying down their own rules — ie, serious safety or health reasons;
31. Deplores the fact that pioneering and progressive measures to protect the environment taken by individual Member States are hampered by the Community; therefore urges the Commission and the Council to endorse these progressive achievements and if possible to disseminate them throughout the Community;
32. Stresses, however, that, whenever measures are taken to protect the environment, a proper balance of interests must be struck so as to achieve the best possible long-term results in regard to the quality of life of the Community's population;
33. Approves the Council Resolution on a Community environmental programme and in particular urges the Council to meet its obligation to rule on the practical proposals from the Commission within nine months of their submission;

34. Requests the Commission to adopt the desired amendments and additions in its proposal, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;

35. Requests its Committee on Public Health and the Environment to check carefully whether the Commission and Council have complied with its requests and proposals and to report to it at a suitable time;

36. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

##### on cooperation and contacts between the European Parliament and the House of Representatives of Cyprus

###### *The European Parliament,*

- welcoming the entry into force, on 1st June 1973, of the Agreement of Association between the Republic of Cyprus and the European Economic Community,
- emphasizing the political significance of the Association between the Republic of Cyprus and the European Economic Community and the common interest in reinforcing the links which join the peoples of the Member States of the European Community and the people of Cyprus,
- considering the task imposed on it by the First Joint Declaration annexed to the Agreement of Association to 'take all appropriate measures in order to facilitate cooperation and contacts between the European Parliament and the House of Representatives of Cyprus',
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 126/73),

###### Proposes that:

1. Delegations of the European Parliament and the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus shall jointly constitute the body foreseen in the First Joint Declaration annexed to the Association Agreement;
2. The Delegation of the European Parliament shall take the form of a permanent Delegation of the Committee on External Economic Relations consisting of fourteen members;
3. The Delegation of the House of Representatives of Cyprus shall consist of seven members, of whom five shall represent the Greek-Cypriot Community and two the Turkish-Cypriot Community, with the option of seven substitute members being appointed in the same proportion;
4. This joint body shall meet, in principle, twice a year;
5. The Cypriot members shall have access to the relevant committees of the European Parliament, whenever necessary, by invitation in conformity with the opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 31.168) adopted by the Enlarged Bureau on 14 February 1973 and in the light of paragraph 2 of Rule 40 of the Rules of Procedure;
6. The joint body shall be competent to consider all matters mentioned in the existing Association Agreement and all matters relating to the future of the Communities;

7. The above arrangements shall be implemented as from 1 November 1973, should a constitutional Agreement be reached between the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot communities. In the event that such an Agreement is not reached before that date the question of parliamentary contacts shall be reviewed by the European Parliament and the House of Representatives of Cyprus at that time with a view to implementing informal arrangements as nearly as possible equivalent to those detailed above;

8. Requests its President to transmit this motion for a Resolution and the explanatory memorandum to the Council of the EEC/Cyprus Association, to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities and to the Government and House of Representatives of Cyprus.

## RESOLUTION

on the Community's approach to the coming multilateral negotiations in GATT

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Memorandum from the Commission of the European Communities on the development of an overall approach to trade in view of the coming multilateral negotiations in GATT (COM (73) 556 and 556/2),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and to the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 118/73),

1. Approves as a whole the main lines of the Commission's proposals on the Community's approach to the coming multilateral negotiations in GATT;

2. Affirms that the purpose of these negotiations is not to solve any specific problem, but that the ultimate aim is the social and economic development of all the countries involved, whether industrialized or developing;

*As regards principles*

3. Hopes that these negotiations will be conducted in a spirit of cooperation and of constructive dialogue between all the partners in GATT;

4. Requests that there shall be no discussion during the negotiations of the Customs Union and common policies already put into effect, which are now mainstays of the building of Europe;

5. Declares that, within only six and seven years of the final dates set for the establishment of European Union and of Economic and Monetary Union, it is an urgent necessity that the Governments of Member States and the organs of the Community should speed up, in the field of external economic relations, the definition and implementation of common policies to enable the Community to assert itself as a separate organized entity;

6. Considers that the two sets of problems, commercial and monetary, should be seen as objectively interdependent, though requiring to be dealt with in a manner appropriate to their nature;

*As regards objectives*

7. Declares that the Community's objective in these negotiations is to establish a more outward-looking, balanced and fairer system of international trade;

8. Believes that such an objective requires the introduction of improved international regulations, which must be observed more strictly;
9. Supports the Commission's attitude on industrial customs tariffs, according to which the higher the duty, the greater the reduction which can and ought to be made;
10. Hopes that mutual concessions will be largely balanced, so as to permit a significant reduction in the too numerous measures or non-tariff distortions obstructing trade;
11. Considers that only clear-cut commitments and the introduction of machinery for consultation and the settlement of disputes can lead to satisfactory results in this area;
12. Is in favour of seeking international agreements to improve the organization of markets in agricultural products and for the establishment in this area of a code of good conduct governing export practices;
13. Draws attention to its traditional view that new preferential measures should be introduced on an international scale, in particular for certain agricultural products of the developing countries, in order to enable those countries to maintain and increase their export revenues;
14. Emphasizes in this connection that mere liberalization of trade unaccompanied by any other organization of our relations can only be detrimental to the developing countries;
15. Believes that the safeguard measures permitted by GATT should be determined by previous consultation and include machinery for the supervision and settlement of any disputes;
16. Instructs its Chairman to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the visit of the President of the United States of America to Europe

*The European Parliament,*

- in the spirit of the communiqué issued at the Paris Summit Conference in October 1972, which attaches particular importance to relations between the European Community and the United States of America,
  - believing that the reorganization of these relations in spirit of true partnership requires that agreed solutions be found which take due account of the worldwide responsibilities of the European Community,
  - having regard to the motion for a Resolution tabled by Mr Lückner on behalf of the Christian-Democratic Group, Mr Kirk on behalf of the European Conservative Group and Mr Achenbach on behalf of the Liberal and Allies Group (Doc. 99/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 119/73),
1. Urgently requests the Council and the Commission of the European Communities as well as the governments of the Member States so to prepare for the consultations with the American President during his autumn visit that the Community is enabled to speak with one voice and that these consultations are conducted by the Community organs;
  2. Believes that the people of the Community have a legitimate right to be informed directly of the political intentions of the American President, and will therefore consider whether a statement by the President at an open sitting of the European Parliament, in the presence of the Commission and the Council, would be an appropriate means to this end;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the governments of the Member States and to make the necessary contacts to ensure its implementation.

## RESOLUTION

on the recommendations of the Joint Committee of the Association with Turkey on the 8th Annual Report of the EEC/Turkey Association Council adopted in Luxembourg on 14 May 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the 8th Annual Report on the activities of the EEC/Turkey Association Council (Doc. 59/73),
  - having noted the recommendations adopted by the Committee of the Association with Turkey at the conclusion of its 15th session in Strasbourg and Luxembourg from 10 to 14 May 1973 (Doc. 74/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 125/73),
1. Welcomes the entry into force on 1 January 1973 of the Additional Protocol and of the second financial Protocol;
  2. Notes with satisfaction the recent conclusion of the negotiations on the supplementary Protocol designed to adapt the Association to the enlargement of the European Community;
  3. Recommends that pending ratification of this Protocol all possible measures be taken to implement its trade provisions without delay;

### I — *Functioning of the Association*

4. Notes with approval the satisfactory institutional functioning of the Association;
5. Stresses the importance of closer contacts between the Grand National Assembly of Turkey and the European Parliament;

### II — *Trade*

6. Notes with satisfaction that trade between the Community and Turkey has increased considerably, even if the balance of Turkish trade with the Community has moved increasingly into deficit;
7. Insists on the need for greater efforts to intensify the promotion of sales of Turkish products on Community markets;
8. Hopes that in view of Turkey's policy of industrialization the fullest possible consideration will be given to Turkish requests for flexible application of the additional Protocol and for the improvement of some of its provisions;

### III — *Financial questions*

9. Welcomes the fact that most of the 43 projects financed on the basis of the 1963 financial Protocol are already in operation or at the commissioning stage;
10. Hopes that cooperation between the Community and Turkey will continue to evolve;

### IV — *Turkish workers employed in the Community*

11. Regrets that the problems of Turkish workers employed in Community countries are not mentioned in the Association Council's report;

12. Points out in this connection that since 1 January 1973 the Association Council has been empowered to take specific decisions in this field and urges that, pursuant to Article 39 of the supplementary Protocol, the Association Council take before the end of this year decisions on arrangements in the field of social security;

13. Stresses that, notwithstanding the concerted action already taken in this field, it is highly desirable for the Association Council to help to work out, at ministerial level, a coordinated system of measures for dealing with the problems of Turkish workers, particularly in the light of Title II of the additional Protocol;

#### V — *Inclusion of Turkey among the countries benefiting from the Community system of generalized preferences*

14. Regrets that a decision has not yet been taken in accordance with the previous Resolutions of the European Parliament on the inclusion of Turkey among the countries benefiting from the Community system of generalized preferences;

15. Is convinced that the *ad hoc* measures adopted by the EEC are not entirely adequate to the needs of Turkey, whose exports of certain products could to a certain extent be discriminated against on the markets of the enlarged Community;

16. Asks once again that Turkey be included from 1 January 1974 at the latest among the countries benefiting from the system of generalized tariff preferences to be implemented by the enlarged Community;

#### VI — *Future of the Association*

17. Emphasizes the political content of the Association Agreement between the Community and Turkey and the special ties uniting the two Parties with a view to Turkey's future accession to the Community;

18. Notes the importance of the EEC/Turkey Association particularly from the standpoint of Community policy in the Mediterranean and Middle East, and of its relations with the COMECON countries;

19. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the EEC/Turkey Association Council, the Council and Commission of the European Communities, the Grand National Assembly of Turkey, the parliaments of the Member States of the Community and the Turkish Government.

### RESOLUTION

on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities on the strengthening of the budgetary powers of the European Parliament

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals submitted by the Commission to the Council on 12 June 1973 (COM (73) 1000),
- having regard to the declaration made by the Commission and the Council of the Communities on the occasion of the signing of the Treaty of 22 April 1970 amending certain budgetary provisions of the Treaties of Rome and Paris and annexed to that Treaty,
- having regard to the ratification of the said Treaty by the Parliaments of the Member States and to the debates which took place in connection therewith,

- recalling its Resolutions of 10 December 1969, 3 February, 11 March, 13 May 1970, 5 July and 12 December 1972 <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 131/73),

#### A. Principles

1. Reaffirms its basic and firm position to the effect that, at a time when the expenditure of the Communities is to be entirely financed by the Communities' own resources and the national parliaments are losing all direct power in respect of this revenue and expenditure, the European Parliament must be given real powers of decision and control over the formulation, adoption and implementation of the Community budget so that the overall rights of parliamentary democracy in the Community and in the Member States are not diminished in an unacceptable manner;
2. Recalls that it is still awaiting the proposals promised by the Commission concerning its legislative powers, and fully reserves its rights in this respect.

#### B. State of the procedure

3. Regrets that the proposals which the Commission was to submit at the latest in 1972 on an increase in the budgetary powers of the European Parliament were not in fact presented until 12 June 1973 and that time is now very short to complete all the essential procedures — in particular ratification by the Member States — before the budget of the Communities is prepared for 1975;
4. Therefore calls upon the Commission and Council of the Communities to give the utmost priority to consideration of the provisions to increase the budgetary powers of the European Parliament.

#### C. Substance

##### (a) *Financial independence of the Communities*

5. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has proposed, in conformity with the Opinion of Parliament, that additional own resources may be introduced by Community procedures requiring unanimity in the Council and a decision of Parliament taken by an absolute majority of its Members and three-fifths of the votes cast;
6. Strongly urges, however, that Parliament itself as the representative of the peoples of the Community, should, in the final instance, 'adopt' the decision;

##### (b) *Budgetary powers*

7. Keenly regrets that the Commission has not itself adhered to its previous interpretation to the effect that the Treaty of April 1970 enables Parliament to reject the budget outright at the final stage of the procedure, to enable the Council to formulate new proposals;
8. Recalls that this interpretation had been unanimously adopted by the European Parliament and was considered by it to be the only real, and therefore essential, power in respect of the principal budget funds;

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 2, 8. 1. 1970, p. 13.  
OJ No C 25, 28. 2. 1970, p. 27.  
OJ No C 40, 3. 4. 1970, p. 23.  
OJ No C 65, 5. 6. 1970, p. 32.  
OJ No C 82, 26. 7. 1972, p. 29.  
OJ No C 138, 31. 12. 1972, p. 32.



9. Therefore expresses, in the firmest terms, its desire for the Commission to reaffirm its position on this point and to propose a corresponding addition to Article 203 of the EEC treaty to rule out any ambiguity in interpretation;

10. Considers that where major rule-making decisions with significant budgetary implications are concerned, the second reading procedure proposed by the Commission is inadequate;

11. Believes that the European Parliament should have the final say as regards the financial implications of any new measures;

12. Proposes the establishment of a joint working party of the Political and Budget Committees of the Parliament to examine in detail together with the Commission the Commission's Proposals and that these committees should report back to the September Part-Session;

*(c) Powers and means of control*

13. Welcomes the Proposal to the effect that the Parliament, acting on a Recommendation of the Council, will in future give a sole discharge in respect of the budget;

14. Welcomes, subject to certain provisions of detail, the principle of the establishment of an Audit Office of the European Communities which should report to and be at all times available to assist and advise the Parliament in the exercise of its rights of control.

#### Conclusion

15. Reaffirms that it cannot endorse any proposal which does not, in general terms, give real budgetary power to the representatives of the peoples of the Community;

16. Accordingly requests the Commission of the Communities to take account of this Resolution and to continue its examination of this matter with its appropriate committees to enable a far-reaching debate to be held and positive conclusions reached at the September Part-Session;

17. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**on the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the progress achieved in the first stage of economic and monetary union, on the allocation of powers and responsibilities among the Community institutions and the Member States essential to the proper functioning of economic and monetary union, and on the measures to be taken in the second stage of economic and monetary union**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 68/73);
- having regard to the final communiqué of the Conference of Heads of State or Government held in Paris on 19 and 20 October 1972;

- having regard to its Resolutions, particularly those of 3 December 1970 <sup>(1)</sup>, 15 March 1973 <sup>(2)</sup> and 5 June 1973 <sup>(3)</sup>;
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 107/73);

1. Takes note of the Commission's communication to the Council on the Communities' progress towards economic and monetary union; shares the Commission's judgement of the causes of the disappointing achievements of the first stage; but regrets the lack of precision in the outline programme of action;
2. Observes that the lack of progress towards economic and monetary union is largely attributable to the failure of the Council to take decisions on the basis and within the framework of the Treaty. And considers that positive political action is now essential to give effect to the decisions of the Summit Conference;
3. Demands therefore that the necessary executive powers should be conferred on the Commission to implement the programme already agreed by the Heads of State and Government, and that the Parliament should forthwith be given an effective legislative and controlling role;
4. Requires from the Commission a clear and specific programme for the approach to economic and monetary union, with guidance on the future role and powers of the Parliament, the Council and the Commission, and the changes which will be necessary in the relative status of the Community institutions and the national political and monetary authorities;
5. Deplores the absence of any indication of the nature of the proposals which the Commission will put before the Council in the form of a Directive for the promotion of stability, growth and full employment within the Community, and a balanced position in external relations; and asks that they should be published forthwith in a consultative report;
6. Requires the Commission and the Council to proceed without further delay to develop the European Fund for Monetary Cooperation into an effective independent agency, exercising the powers of the Community's central bank and with the necessary authority and resources to promote a true economic and monetary union;
7. Stresses the need for a positive plan to achieve the unification of the European capital market and to encourage the free movement of funds for investment;
8. Considers that facilities for obtaining protection against parity changes affecting transactions on current account should be improved and made more readily available, and calls on the Commission to report on the most appropriate means of enabling traders throughout the Community to obtain forward foreign exchange cover on reasonable terms;
9. Stresses the need for far-reaching measures to achieve balanced regional development but welcomes the Commission's proposals for an independent Community fund for the relief of unemployment and for the provision of guaranteed incomes for persons undertaking retraining;
10. Calls on the Commission to elaborate its proposals for harmonization of Community social security systems and personal taxation;
11. Commends the Commission's suggestion that certain of its proposals to the Council of Ministers should be designated to be dealt with according to a pre-established procedure and draft timetable;

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 151, 29. 12. 1970.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 19, 15. 3. 1973.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 49, 28. 6. 1973.

12. Takes note of the suggestion that the Parliament should adopt the practice of reviewing the Council's response to its recommendations, but declares that the Parliament must be the arbiter of its own agenda and procedure;

13. Insists that the Commission should revise its proposals in the light of these Directives;

14. Requests its President to forward this Resolution and the Report of its Committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and the parliaments and governments of the Member States.

**RESOLUTION**  
on Community Regional policy

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report from the Commission to the Council on regional problems in the enlarged Community (COM (73) 550 fin.),
- having been notified by the Council although such notification was not mandatory (Doc. 70/73),
- referring to its Resolutions of 17 May 1960 <sup>(1)</sup>, 22 January 1964 <sup>(2)</sup>, 27 June 1966 <sup>(3)</sup>, 11 May 1970 <sup>(4)</sup>, 16 March 1972 <sup>(5)</sup> and 20 September 1972 <sup>(6)</sup>,
- having regard to the interim report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 120/73),
  - (a) considering that the average *per capita* income gap between the rich and poor regions of the Community has become even wider in spite of Member States' support policies;
  - (b) considering that since the European Communities came into being, economic growth in the Member States has been steady but not balanced as it has not reduced the gap between the rich and poor regions of the Community; on the contrary, setting up a customs union before the introduction of a Community regional policy has created conditions which tend to make the rich regions even richer and widen the gap between them and the poor regions;
  - (c) considering that in certain conditions, the establishment of economic and monetary union, far from narrowing these differences, may well accentuate them;
  - (d) considering, therefore, that the Community's progress towards economic and monetary union requires the States to display a new sense of responsibility towards the regions of the Community so that economic growth may bring about an improvement in the living conditions of all people in every region of the Community;

1. Urges the Commission to observe the timetable fixed by the October 1972 Summit meeting and, after drawing up its report analysing regional problems in the enlarged Community, to submit appropriate proposals by July 1973, on:

- creating and establishing the Regional Development Fund by the end of 1973;
- initial work to coordinate regional policies, and creation of a Regional Development Committee, also before the end of the year;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No 35, 2. 6. 1960.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No 24, 8. 2. 1964.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No 130, 19. 7. 1966.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No C 65, 5. 6. 1970.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No C 36, 12. 4. 1972.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No C 103, 5. 10. 1972.

2. Likewise urges the Council to adopt these Proposals far enough ahead to ensure compliance with the timetable laid down by the Paris Summit;
3. Supports the Commission's Proposal to endow the Development Fund with substantial resources and agrees that as from its inception, it would be contrary to the concept of regional policy to apply the principle of 'fair returns';
4. Considers that this European sense of responsibility can only be created if regional development programmes are put in hand to ensure and control the sound management of resources, thus making it possible to verify that Community aid is not diverted;
5. Considers that, given the inadequacy of available supporting data, the intervention criteria proposed for the Fund are acceptable as an initial approximation;
6. Considers that regional policy is a policy for overall structural measures and must embrace the full range of sectoral policies;
7. Believes that the Commission's concept, which is essentially economic, must be widened to reflect a broader view of development taking account of the human factor since education and vocational training are necessary as well as economic action;
8. Recommends therefore that financial measures should be backed by Community technical aid;
9. Points out that Community efforts to attract new development in the less developed regions must be accompanied by measures to discourage industrial congestion in regions that are already saturated;
10. Considers that, in the case of development regions extending beyond an internal frontier of the Community, binding forms of cooperation should be established in the Member States concerned, and that such cooperation should, if possible, be extended to regions in third countries bordering on the Community;
11. Considers that the main tasks of the Community institutions assisted by the Committee on Regional Development, should be:
  - (a) to note the impact of Community developments, particularly customs and monetary union, on the regional balance situation,
  - (b) to determine the principles of regional economic development, and the relationships or casual links between observed trends which have not been adequately analysed hitherto,
  - (c) to go deeper into regional statistics, proceeding beyond descriptive statistics to a system of data presentation based on dynamic and functional regional models,
  - (d) to undertake Community regional development planning, since this alone can prevent dispersion of effort and inefficiency, taking account of existing national policies in this field,
  - (e) to study national and Community laws and regulations in order to propose amendments to certain provisions which have an adverse effect on regional development;
12. Invites its committee to make a continuous study of these problems and report to it on the matter;
13. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the interim reports of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on nuclear testing**

*The European Parliament,*

- anxious to strengthen the rule of law in international affairs,
  - concerned about the risk of contamination from nuclear testing,
  - desirous of enhancing the reputation of the Community in the forum of world opinion,
1. Disapproves of nuclear testing anywhere in the world, regardless of the States responsible;
  2. Calls for general and controlled nuclear disarmament;
  3. Invites the Council of the European Communities to advise all Member States of the Community to take the necessary steps to secure acceptance of such a policy at world level;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund for 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 517 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 63/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and to the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 109/73),
1. Approves the Commission's Proposal;
  2. Nevertheless calls upon the Community and national authorities to devise procedures which would reduce the time spent in considering applications, without altering the principles on which aid is allocated or the essential guarantees required by these authorities;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive modifying the Directives of 14 June 1966 concerning the marketing of beet seed, of seed of fodder plants, of cereal seed and of seed potatoes, the Directive of 30 June 1969 concerning the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants and the Directives of 29 September 1970 concerning the marketing of vegetable seed and the common catalogue of varieties of species of agricultural plants

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 735 final),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 111/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 115/73),

1. Notes that the proposal contains a number of measures intended to facilitate the marketing of the plants or seed referred to in the Directives of 14 June 1966;
2. Endorses the economic arguments put forward by the Commission on the need to extend until 1 July 1974 the provisions of Articles 15 and 16 (2) of the Directives of 14 June 1966 whereby Member States may take decisions regarding equivalence in so far as no Community Decision has so far been reached, and on the addition of an Article 33a to the Directive of 29 September 1970 concerning the marketing of vegetable seed, authorizing Member States to allow the marketing in their territory of seed harvested before 1 July 1973 which does not fully comply with the requirements laid down as to germination;
3. Notes also with satisfaction that the proposal provides for amendments made to the content of the Annexes to the basic Directives, as a result of progress in scientific or technical knowledge, to be adopted according to the Standing Committee procedure, as stipulated in the Directives of 14 June 1966;
4. Invites the Commission to publish the basic Directives in a single text embodying all the subsequent amendments in order to allow everyone concerned to obtain a comprehensive view of the provisions in force;
5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation No 1009/67/EEC on the common organization of the market in sugar

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 859 final),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 96/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 104/73),

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation determining for the 1973/74 marketing year the principal marketing centres for cereals and the derived intervention prices applicable at these centres and the single intervention price for maize, for durum wheat and for rye

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 917 fin.
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 123/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 116/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation totally suspending the duties of the Common Customs Tariff, charges having equivalent effect and agricultural levies on goods imported as gifts from third countries for free distribution to disaster victims

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 28 and 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 210/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 105/73),
1. Approves the proposed Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and its committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No 134, 27. 12. 1972, p. 25.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the Proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on cosmetic products

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 209/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 35/73),
1. Welcomes the Commission's proposal for a Directive replacing the present legislation on cosmetic products, which varies from one Member State to another, by fully harmonized Community provisions;
  2. Regrets, however, that the Commission has submitted this proposal for a Directive more than two years later than called for in the General Programme of 28 May 1969 for the elimination of technical barriers to trade <sup>(2)</sup>;
  3. Finds it disappointing that in drafting its proposal for a Directive, the Commission afforded manufacturers the opportunity to state their views but failed to consult the consumers' associations although the proposed directive is primarily concerned with matters of consumer protection and public health;
  4. Agrees with the Commission that the most important objectives of Community legislation on cosmetic products are to preserve public health and an adequate measure of consumer protection and that these objectives must be achieved by measures which make the fullest possible allowance for economic and technological requirements;
  5. Points out, however, that economic and technological requirements should be taken into consideration only insofar as they do not affect the overriding considerations of public health and consumer protection;
  6. Strongly supports, in the interests of more effective protection of consumers' health, the system of compulsory positive lists hitherto adopted at Community level, and, to apply this system in the field of cosmetic products, calls upon the Commission to submit, within the next five years, a new proposal containing a positive list and also providing for the creation of a Community committee competent to check standards and to issue preliminary permission to manufacture and sell, both of which are essential to guarantee the effective application of this system;
  7. Has strong misgivings about authorizing the substances listed in Annex IV, whose innocuousness has not yet been finally established; regards the three-year transitional period laid down in Article 5 as an absolute maximum, and urges the Commission to do everything possible to decide within this time-limit whether the substances concerned are to be finally authorized or prohibited;
  8. Insists that the information to the consumer given on containers or labels be printed in at least the *language of the country of destination*;
  9. Requests the Commission to ensure that the measures required to supervise the proper implementation of the provisions contained in the proposed Directive should be adopted *concurrently* with the introduction of the Directive;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 133, 23. 12. 1972, p. 16.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 76, 17. 6. 1969, p. 1.



10. Welcomes the rule which protects the manufacturer by stipulating that the detailed grounds on which any individual measure is taken on the basis of the Directive to limit or prohibit the marketing of cosmetic products must be notified to the persons concerned, together with a caution as to their rights;

11. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal, pursuant to Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;

12. Requests its committee to ascertain whether the Commission of the European Communities alters its proposal to reflect the amendments of the European Parliament and to report back if necessary;

13. Instructs its President to forward this motion for a Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the legal aspects of participation by the European Communities in the work of the various UN bodies

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Treaties establishing the European Communities and in particular Article 6 of the ECSC Treaty, Article 184 of the Euratom Treaty and Articles 113, 210 and 229 of the EEC Treaty,
- having regard to the fact the European Communities have an international legal personality,
- having regard to the need to strengthen the presence of the Communities in the various international bodies in order to foster a united image of Europe,
- having regard to the fact that the European Communities have sole responsibility for certain matters in the area of external relations,
- having regard to the fact that the extension of the Communities' internal powers must be accompanied by a parallel increase in its external powers,
- having regard to the fact that the Communities' external powers have not so far been fully recognized in the context of UN activities,
- having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 57/73),

1. Affirms the principle that the European Community must, within the matters relating to the Community sphere as defined by the Treaties aforesaid, be recognized as a single entity in all international bodies;

2. Stresses that the European Community alone can enter into obligations with third countries in matters which are its sole responsibility and guarantee their fulfilment;

3. Points out that it is therefore in the interests of third countries, for their own legal security, to negotiate with the European Community on matters which are no longer within the sovereignty of the Member States;

4. Notes that in regard to participation by the European Community in the activities of the United Nations Organization, the pragmatic arrangements adopted in respect of the specialized agencies of the United Nations cannot be wholly satisfactory because of the inherent inconsistencies between the provisions of the Community Treaties and the United Nations Charter;
5. Believes that the Charter of the United Nations and the Statutes of its specialized bodies and agencies do not in themselves preclude on practical and procedural levels, participation by the European Community as such in certain activities undertaken in the UN, as is proved by the practical solutions adopted up to now;
6. Recognizes nevertheless that, in spite of the pragmatic arrangements so far introduced, there is a problem to be solved if Community participation is to be based on a legal, appropriate and regular basis, and considers that urgent consideration should now be given to its solution;
7. Therefore urges the Commission and Council to give the matter this urgent consideration, in the light of the problem analysed in Document 57/73, to request in due time the United Nations Organization to examine it, to ask if necessary for an advisory Opinion from the International Court of Justice in accordance with Article 65 of the Statute of the Court and to institute such subsequent action as may appear necessary, having regard to that Opinion, in order to make appropriate arrangements for Community representation in matters relating to its sphere;
8. Invites its appropriate committees and in particular the Political Affairs Committee to continue to look into the various questions arising in connection with the Communities' participation in the activities of the various UN bodies and to report to it as soon as possible;
9. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for

- I. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of the Community tariff quota for 30 000 live heifers and cows of certain mountain breeds falling within heading ex 01.02 A II b) 2 of the Common Customs Tariff
- II. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of the Community tariff quota for 5 000 live bulls, cows and heifers of certain mountain breeds falling within heading ex 01.02 A II b) 2 of the Common Customs Tariff

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 653 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 90/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 121/73) and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture,
1. Approves the Commission's proposals, which, in the framework of the European Communities' agricultural and commercial policies will encourage the continuation and expansion of stock-farming and the improvement of stock, particularly in mountain areas;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation extending for the second time the period of validity of Regulations (EEC) Nos 2313/71 and 2823/71 on the temporary partial suspension of the Common Customs Tariff duties on wine originating in and coming from Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 1053 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 129/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 136/73).
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on an amendment to Rule 7 (1) and (5) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament, concerning the election of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Parliament and an amendment to Rule 41 (5), concerning elections for the Bureaus of the committees; and on a corresponding amendment to Rule 35 (6), concerning the voting procedure in the case of appointments

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Rules of Procedure,
  - having regard to the report by the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 153/73),
1. Decides to amend as follows Rules 7, 35 and 41 of its Rules of Procedure:

### *Rule 7*

1. The President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected by secret ballot; *Parliament, may, however, decide to depart from this rule for a particular election if the number of nominations does not exceed the number of seats to be filled.*

*Four tellers chosen by lot shall count the votes cast in a secret ballot.*

2. The President shall be elected first. Nominations shall be handed before each ballot to the oldest Representative, who shall announce them to Parliament. If after three ballots no candidate has obtained an absolute majority of the votes cast, the fourth ballot shall be confined to the two Representatives who have obtained the highest number of votes in the third ballot. In the event of a tie, the elder candidate shall be declared elected.

3. As soon as the President has been elected, the oldest Representative shall vacate the chair.

4. The eight Vice-Presidents shall then be elected on a single ballot paper. Those who on the first ballot obtain an absolute majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected. Should the number of candidates elected be less than the number of seats to be filled, a second ballot shall be held under the same conditions among candidates not yet elected. Should a third ballot be necessary, a relative majority shall suffice for election to the remaining seats, and in the event of a tie the oldest candidates shall be declared elected.

5. The Vice-Presidents shall take precedence in the order in which they were elected, and in the event of a tie, by age.

*When they are not elected by secret ballot, the order in which their names are read out to the House by the President of the sitting shall be the order of precedence.*

6. Should it be necessary for the President or a Vice-President to be replaced, his successor shall be elected in accordance with the above provisions.

7. Should the seat become vacant during an adjournment of the session, the political group to which the Representative whose seat has become vacant belonged shall nominate a candidate for temporary membership of the Bureau pending the election referred to in the foregoing paragraph.

The nomination shall be submitted to the enlarged Bureau for ratification.

A temporary member of the Bureau shall enjoy the same rights as a Vice-President.

Should the President's seat become vacant, the first Vice-President shall act as President.

#### *Rule 35*

1. Normally Parliament shall vote by show of hands.

2. If the result of the show of hands is doubtful, a fresh vote shall be taken by sitting and standing.

3. If the result of this second vote is doubtful or whenever ten or more Representatives so desire, or should a qualified majority be required, the vote shall be taken by roll call.

4. The roll shall be called in alphabetical order, beginning with the name of a Representative drawn by lot. The President shall be the last to be called to vote.

Voting shall be by word of mouth and shall be expressed by 'Yes', 'No', or 'I abstain'. In calculating whether a motion has been adopted or rejected, account shall be taken only of votes cast for and against. The President shall establish the result of the count and announce it.

Votes shall be recorded in the minutes of proceedings of the sitting in the alphabetical order of Representatives' names.

5. Without prejudice to Rules 2 (2), 7 (2) and (4), 21 (4), 24 (2) and (3), 41 (5) and 54, motions put to the vote shall be declared adopted only if they have secured a majority of the votes cast.

In the event of a tie, the motion shall stand rejected.

6. In the case of appointments, voting shall be by secret ballot, *without prejudice to the application of Rule 7 (1), Rule 37 (2) and Rule 41 (5), second paragraph.* Only ballot papers bearing the names of persons who have been nominated shall be taken into account in calculating the number of votes cast.

#### *Rule 41*

1. Rules 7 (2), 29, 30, 31, 32 and 35 (4), (5) and (6) shall apply, as appropriate, to committee meetings.

2. A committee may validly deliberate and vote when one-third of its members are present. However, if so requested by one-sixth of its members before voting begins, the vote shall be valid only if the number of voters represents an absolute majority of the committee members.

3. Voting in committee shall be by show of hands, unless any Representative demands a vote by roll call.
  4. The chairman may take part in discussions and may vote, but without having a casting vote.
  5. *Without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 2 above*, the Bureau shall be elected by secret ballot without discussion. Its elections shall require an absolute majority of the votes cast; if, however, a second ballot is necessary, a relative majority shall suffice.
- If the number of nominations corresponds to the number of seats to be filled, the candidate or candidates may be declared elected without holding the ballot stipulated in the preceding paragraph.*
6. The procedure for sub-committees shall be the same as for committees.
  7. The minutes of each meeting of a committee shall be distributed to all its members and submitted to the committee for its approval at its next meeting.
  8. In addition, a summary report of the proceedings shall be drawn up. Unless the committee decides otherwise, however, such report shall not be distributed but shall be available to all Representatives.
  9. Unless the committee decides otherwise, the only texts that shall be made public shall be reports adopted and statements that have been prepared on the responsibility of the chairman.
2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities for their information.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive concerning the harmonization of the laws of the Member States with regard to coffee and tea extracts and their substitutes, including chicory and blends based on these extracts

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 456/fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 27/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 139/73),

1. Welcomes this proposal from the Commission of the European Communities for a directive aimed at replacing through complete harmonization, the different legal provisions in force in the Member States by Community arrangements;
2. Regrets, however, that the time limit of 1 July 1970 for submission of the proposal by the Commission set by the Council in its resolution of 28 May 1969 <sup>(1)</sup> establishing a five-stage programme for the elimination of technical obstacles to trade in foodstuffs has been exceeded by nearly three years;
3. Appreciates the reasons adduced by the Commission to justify this delay, namely the need to take account in the proposals of legislation in the new Member States, particularly the United Kingdom, but maintains nevertheless that this work could have been done more speedily;

<sup>(1)</sup> See OJ No C 76, 17. 6. 1969, p. 7.

4. Congratulates the Commission of the European Communities on having consulted, before preparing the directive, both the consumer and the producer organizations concerned, so that a satisfactory compromise between their respective requirements could be reached;
5. Believes that in the interest of consumers and producers alike the designation 'coffee extract' or 'soluble coffee' should not be permitted for products obtained from less than 2.3 kg of unroasted coffee per kg of finished product at packing;
6. Invites, therefore, the Commission of the European Communities to modify its proposal accordingly, including these products in the category defined in the new Chapter 6 of Annex I;
7. Urges the Commission to carry out strict checks on residues of decaffeinating solvents present in decaffeinated products so that they never exceed the maximum permissible content and constitute a hazard to the consumer's health;
8. Regrets that the Commission of the European Communities has not adopted the procedure repeatedly proposed by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, and requests therefore that the fundamental political considerations put forward by that committee be taken into account by the Commission in any future proposals on harmonization;
9. Requests the Commission to make the following amendments to its proposals, pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
10. Requests its appropriate committee to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities incorporates in its proposal the amendments put forward by the European Parliament, and if necessary to report back to it;
11. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislations on aerosols

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 415 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 29/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 150/73),
1. Welcomes the Commission's initiative in undertaking harmonization of legislation on such a commonly used product as aerosols;
  2. Is unable, however, to accept the proposed 'alternative solution' in the interests of uniform safety conditions and consumer protection;

3. Requests that the scope of this directive should also be extended to the contents of the aerosols;
4. Considers the restriction of the directive to metal, glass and plastics an obstacle to improved conditions for the consumer which might be achieved by possible technical developments, especially as the working methods of the committee proposed by the Commission in Article 6 do not appear very flexible;
5. Considers it essential to require the manufacturer to show exact details of the contents in a clear manner on labels and packages;
6. *Insists* that the wording on labels and packages *must* be in the local language;
7. Expresses its concern at the serious pollution of the environment caused by these products which can only be used once, and urges the Commission to initiate specific research into ways of disposing of the containers safely and without causing pollution;
8. Subject to the above reservations approves the Commission's proposal in principle, but urges the Commission to make the following amendments to its proposal, pursuant to Article 149, paragraph two, of the EEC Treaty;
9. Calls upon its appropriate committee to check carefully whether the Commission alters its proposal in accordance with the European Parliament's amendments and, if necessary, to report back to it;
10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending the first Council Directive on the establishment of certain common rules for international transport (carriage of goods for hire or reward)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1358 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 238/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 127/73),
1. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to extend the liberalization of trans-national carriage in small lorries and for certain types of transport to carriage on own account;
  2. Approves the Commission's proposal as it stands;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and its committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities for a Council Directive amending and supplementing certain directives following the enlargement of the Communities

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1037 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 128/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 157/73),
1. Deplores the considerable delay by the Commission in submitting these proposals, which have been needed since the provisions of the Act of Accession came into force on 1 January 1973;
  2. Approves the content of the proposed Directive;
  3. Requests the Commission to adopt, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty, the following formal amendment to the preamble of the proposal;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 2 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973

*The European Parliament*

- having regard to draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 2 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973 (Doc. 143/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 155/73),
  - observing that
    - (a) Rectifying and supplementary budget No 2 allows for the consequences for all the institutions of the non-accession of Norway on the 1973 budget;
    - (b) it takes account of developments since the adoption of the 1973 budget which require new appropriations,
1. Draws the Commission's attention to the need for:
    - greater accuracy in certain budgetary estimates;
    - constant compliance with the provisions under which all appropriations must be approved before being used;
    - providing Parliament with full information about decisions having budgetary implications, particularly if taken during the procedure for adopting the annual budget;
  2. Approves, with these reservations, draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 2;
  3. Therefore considers that, pursuant to Article 78a (4) of the ECSC Treaty, Article 203a of the EEC Treaty and Article 177a of the EAEC Treaty, the draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 2 of the European Communities for 1973 shall be deemed to be finally adopted;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution, the minutes of this sitting, and the report of the Committee on Budgets to the Council of the European Communities.



## RESOLUTION

on draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 3 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973, established by the Council

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 3 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973, established by the Council (Doc. 134/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 156/73) which takes account of the views of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology,
- (a) considering that this draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 3 reflects the budgetary implications for the financial year 1973 of the decisions on the Euratom multi-year programme finally taken by the Council following its meetings of 5 February, 14 May and 18 June 1973;
  - (b) considering that it therefore enables use to be made of the appropriations which Parliament had insisted on having entered in the annual budget, mainly under expenditure not specifically allocated;
  - (c) considering, however, that the embodiment in the budget of the Council decisions involved a reduction of about 10 million u.a. in the already modest appropriations provided for Euratom in the annual budget (75.5 million u.a. compared with the 85.5 million u.a. included in the annual budget).
1. Notes this draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 3 of the European Communities for 1973;
  2. Emphasizes that decisions on the multi-year programme require in future observance of the principle that the budget must be fully comprehensive and that the annual appropriations provided for research must therefore be apportioned normally from the next financial year onwards;
  3. Recalls its reservations on the inclusion in the Community budget, as provided for at present, of appropriations arising out of implementation of the COST agreements and asks for these activities to be included in the list of those provided for under Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;
  4. Therefore considers that, pursuant to Article 78a (4) of the ECSC Treaty, Article 203a of the EEC Treaty and Article 177a of the EAEC Treaty, the draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 3 of the European Communities for 1973 shall be deemed to be finally adopted;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution, the minutes of this sitting and the report of the Committee on Budgets to the Council of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 4 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 4 of the European Communities for the financial year 1973 (Doc. 151/73);
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 158/73),

1. Notes that draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 4 covers a total of 871 336 150 u.a., 864 336 000 u.a. of which relates to the common agricultural policy;
2. Acknowledges that the bulk of the increase in expenditure could not have been foreseen at the time when the 1973 budget was established;
3. Regrets, however, that decisions on certain expenditure in excess of the available appropriations, for example in connection with the supply of butter to the USSR, were taken without consulting Parliament;
4. Points out that this expenditure is accordingly insufficiently justified and takes the view that from the financial year 1975 onwards it will become increasingly difficult to introduce supplementary budgets, as a result of financing from the Communities' own resources;
5. Feels obliged, therefore, to reduce the appropriations under Article 621 by 52 million u.a.;
6. Proposes, furthermore, to reinstate for the purpose of the new Social Fund the 120 million u.a. that had been shown in the preliminary draft supplementary budget;
7. Approves rectifying and supplementary budget No 4, however, subject to the abovementioned reduction and reinstatement of appropriations, while adding the following recommendations concerning the additional appropriations for the EAGGF:
  - (a) Observance of the dates laid down in the basic regulations for the fixing of agricultural prices in the Community would make it easier to estimate expenditure in the various sectors;
  - (b) The Member States should provide the Commission with better production forecasting data and information on agricultural markets. The Commission should have its own forecasting service;
  - (c) The problem of price relationships between products should be studied with an eye to channelling production towards non-surplus areas and avoiding the costs of substitution operations which these price relationships tend to encourage;
  - (d) The provisions relating to the denaturing of common wheat should be modified with a view to the progressive elimination of this practice, which affects a substantial proportion of the harvest in some Member States;
  - (e) Solutions should be sought, for example as regards certain regional price arrangements or the margin between intervention and target prices, which would avoid the expedient, resorted to in some regions, of disposing of virtually the total yield of certain types of produce at intervention prices;
  - (f) Some Member States, particularly Italy, should improve their administrative structures in order to avoid delays in the payment of direct aid for certain products such as olive oil, durum wheat and tobacco;
  - (g) An attempt should be made to acquire greater familiarity with the markets in certain third countries in order to allow disposal of surpluses at higher prices. This could be done, for example, through exchanges of information on harvests of the type planned between the USSR and the United States of America;
  - (h) The financial implications for the Community and the detrimental effects on the Common Agricultural Policy of the present monetary situation should be redressed through genuine progress towards economic and monetary union;
  - (i) The Directives of 17 April 1972 on the modernization of farms, the encouragement of the cessation of farming and the re-allocation of utilized agricultural area for the purpose of structural improvement and the provision of socio-economic guidance for and the acquisition of occupation skills by persons engaged in agriculture should be implemented at a faster pace in all Member States, thus paving the way for structural reform designed to channel production more skilfully and to achieve more competitive prices that still guarantee a fair income to farmers;

8. Instructs its President, pursuant to Article 78A (4) paragraph 4 of the ECSC Treaty, Article 203a (4), paragraph 4 of the EEC Treaty, and Article 177a (4), paragraph 4 of the EAEC Treaty, to forward draft rectifying and supplementary budget No 4 modified as above, this Resolution, the minutes of today's sitting, the report of the Committee on Budgets and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture to the Council of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council:

- I. for a Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 859/72 on the treatment to be accorded to certain fruit and vegetables originating in Associated African States and Madagascar or in the Overseas Countries and Territories
- II. for a Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 860/72 on the treatment to be accorded to certain fruit and vegetables originating in the United Republic of Tanzania, the Republic of Uganda or the Republic of Kenya.

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 94 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council on 17 July 1973, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 140/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Relations with African States and Madagascar (Doc. 310/72),
- having regard to the report of the Committee for Development and Cooperation (Doc. 162/73),

1. Reaffirms its position of 15 February 1973 on this problem, namely that

- (a) on 17 December 1971, in the light of the Opinions of its Committee on Relations with African States and Madagascar and of its Committee on Agriculture, it unanimously approved the proposals of the Commission of the European Communities that the abovementioned products originating in the AASM, the OCT and the East African States should be freely imported duty-free into the Community for a whole year;
- (b) it pointed out that, under the provisions of the regulations adopted by the Council on 25 April 1972, these products would from that date be subject to customs duties during certain periods of the year;
- (c) it stressed that, by comparison with imports from third countries, the quantities imported from the Associated States were very modest and could in no way harm Community agriculture, whereas the psychological and political damage to the Community's prestige resulting from the above decision was to be regarded as considerable;
- (d) it emphasized the need for greater consistency in the development policy of the Community, which can hardly, on the one hand, give financial and technical aid to encourage the production of certain fruits and vegetables in the Associated States while curbing the marketing of these products on the other;

2. Regrets that the Commission was obliged to choose the second and, for the Associated States, less favorable of the two alternatives proposed by Mr Rey, the mediator between the EEC and the AASM, believing as it does that the Commission should have stood by its original proposal, supplementing it if necessary — in accordance with Mr Rey's first alternative — by a safeguard clause to be applied in the event of serious disturbances of the market;

Recognizes, however, the advisability of finding for Community products originating in the French departments overseas an equitable solution in accordance with the aims of the Treaty and one calculated to protect a delicate regional economy;

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 14, 27. 3. 1973, pp. 53-54.

3. Notes that, in this unsatisfactory situation, the proposals of the Commission of the Communities confirm the provisional arrangements, decided by the Council in March 1973, improving the arrangements provided for in the Regulation of 25 April 1972;

4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2721/72 relating to the supply as food aid of skimmed-milk powder**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 933 fin. B),
- having been consulted by the Council on 18 July 1973 (Doc. 142/73),
- having regard to the Resolution of 17 November 1972 <sup>(1)</sup> following the report by its Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 193/72),
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 163/73),

1. Approves the terms of the Agreement reached between the Commission of the Communities and the International Committee of the Red Cross providing for the financing by the Community of delivery charges to the cif stage or free frontier, as well as air freight for emergency operations in accordance with the terms approved by the Community;

2. Declares its agreement to the Commission's proposal for amending Regulation 2721/72 so as to adapt it to the conditions of current and future emergency operations and, more particularly, those for the benefit of the countries of the Sahel and Chile;

3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 129, 11. 12. 1972, p. 74.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concerning the importation into the Community of certain agricultural products originating in Turkey**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1274 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 149/73),

— having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinions of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 159/73),

1. Approves the proposal for a Regulation;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 160/73) for a Regulation temporarily and partially suspending the autonomous duty in the common customs tariff on almonds of subheading 08.05 A II

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 1257 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 160/73) and in accordance with the emergency procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations,

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the measures taken by the Council to improve its decision-making

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Paragraph 15 of the declaration issued at the end of the Conference of Heads of State or Government in October 1972, which includes a stipulation that the Council will take practical steps before 30 June 1973 'to improve its decision-making procedures and the cohesion of Community action',
- noting that the Council was unable to keep to the abovementioned date and did not decide on a first series of practical measures until its meeting of 23 and 24 July 1973,
- noting further that this first series of measures will not lead to a basic improvement of the Council's decision-making procedures and the cohesion of Community action since they only apply to a small number of marginal phenomena,
- emphasizing again that an end must be put to a situation in which almost 400 Commission proposals await a Council Decision and night sittings are frequently necessary,

1. Expresses its dissatisfaction with the first series of practical measures taken by the Council to improve its decision-making procedures;
2. Requests the Council to fix a date by which it will take effective measures;
3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the governments of the Member States.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the strengthening of the budgetary powers of the European Parliament**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Declaration No 4 of the Council annexed to the Treaty of 22 April 1970,
- having regard to the ratification of that Treaty by the Parliaments of the Member States and to the debates which took place in connection therewith,
- having regard to the proposals from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 1000),
- having regard to its Resolution of 5 July 1973 <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council on 27 June 1973 (Doc. 124/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and to the Opinion of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 175/73).

#### I. Undertakings

1. Points out
  - that the budgetary powers which will be conferred upon it from 1 January 1975, the date from which 'the budget of the Communities shall . . . . be financed entirely from the Communities' own resources', are insufficient;
  - that in April 1970 the Commission undertook to submit new proposals for an increase in these budgetary powers, and the Council agreed to consider them 'pursuant to the procedure of Article 236 of the Treaty';
  - that in its Resolution of 13 May 1970 <sup>(2)</sup> Parliament noted these undertakings, on the sole basis of which it recommended that the national parliaments should ratify the Treaty of 22 April 1970;
  - that the debates in these Parliaments revealed an almost unanimous determination to see the powers of the European Parliament strengthened, particularly in the budgetary field, and that this determination should be taken into account;
  - that the new Member States of the Community were aware of Declaration No 4 of the Council aiming to increase budgetary powers 'according to the procedure provided in Article 236', and did not contest it;
2. Maintains that the budgetary powers which must be conferred upon the Parliament under the own resources system as from the 1975 budget cannot be fully effective until legislative powers have also been granted;
3. Reminds the Commission that it has undertaken to submit proposals on this matter in September 1974;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 62, 31. 7. 1973, p. 29.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 65, 5. 6. 1970, p. 32.

## II. Proposals on budgetary powers

4. Affirms that budgetary power comprises essentially the right to:

- create revenue;
- approve expenditure;
- discuss and adopt the budget;
- supervise its implementation;

### A. *Creation of revenue*

5. Recalls that Article 4 of the Decision of 21 April 1970 ratified by the Member States endorsed the principle of financial autonomy: 'from 1 January 1975, the budget of the Communities shall . . . . be *financed entirely* from the Communities' own resources';

6. Reaffirms that financial autonomy cannot be guaranteed in the future, unless the common resources can be adapted to the needs of common policies by common procedures;

7. States that these procedures must be such as to allow the governments of Member States to refer the matter to their national parliaments as and when required to do so by their constitutions;

8. Proposes, therefore, that decisions should not be adopted by Parliament on a proposal from the Commission without the prior unanimous consent of the Council;

9. Endorses the Commission's proposal that the European Community shall only have the right to take up loans subject to a qualified majority decision of the Council and the agreement of the European Parliament;

### B. *Approval of expenditure*

10. Recalls that, in all parliamentary democracies, Parliament alone can approve new expenditure, even when the constitution restricts the right to propose such expenditure to the Executive;

11. Considers therefore that the Commission's proposals on this matter, stipulating only a second consultation for any decision of principle with major financial implications extending over several years are:

- restrictive in scope;
- not sufficiently effective.

12. Notes, however, that the agreement of Parliament and the Council is highly desirable in this case, and should be sought wherever possible;

13. Proposes therefore that

- (a) a coordination committee should be set up with equal representation of Parliament and the Council, to seek, in the presence of the Commission, an acceptable solution in the event of failure to reach an agreement;
- (b) the solution proposed by the coordination committee would enter into force after ratification (within a maximum period of 30 days from the date of its adoption by the coordination committee) by the Council by a qualified majority and by the Parliament by a majority of its members and a simple majority of the votes cast;

- (c) in the event of the solution proposed by the coordination committee being rejected by the Council and/or the Parliament, the matter in dispute would — after an exchange of views between Council and Parliament in the form of a debate in plenary session — be referred again to the coordination committee;
- (d) in the event of no agreement being reached at the second attempt, Parliament's Opinion, established by a majority of half its members plus one and two-thirds of the votes cast, can only be modified by the Council acting unanimously.

Unanimity cannot be achieved if even a single member of the Council abstains.

The Council must meet in public on these occasions;

#### *C. Discussion and adoption of budget*

- 14. Maintains that the present distinction between other expenditure and expenditure arising from the Treaties or from acts adopted in pursuance thereof is artificial and should be abolished;
- 15. Endorses, in the meantime, the Commission's proposal that the category of expenditure on which Parliament has the final decision, pursuant to Article 203, should be progressively extended to all expenditure not arising automatically from previous decisions with long-term implications;
- 16. Asserts that the distinction between the two types of expenditure should be drawn in agreement with Parliament;
- 17. Endorses the Commission's proposal relating to Article 203 (5a), first paragraph, and stipulating that where proposed modifications presented by the Parliament do not have the effect of increasing the total amount of the expenditure of an institution, the Council, in the final period, must, as in the transitional period, act by a qualified majority in rejecting and not in accepting the proposed modification;
- 18. Feels that where proposed modifications have the effect of increasing the total amount of the expenditure of an institution, the Council must act by a simple majority in rejecting them and not by a qualified majority in accepting them;
- 19. Insists on formal acknowledgement of the fact that Parliament's right to adopt the budget includes the right to refuse to adopt it and to reject the draft budget in whole or in part;
- 20. Requests furthermore that, insofar as this may be judged necessary, Articles 203, 204, 206 and 209 of the EEC Treaty and the corresponding Articles in the ECSC and EAEC Treaties should be amended in accordance with the principles of this Resolution;

#### *D. Supervision of implementation*

- 21. Points out that it has frequently deplored the inadequate auditing methods in the Communities and called for the establishment of an effective and independent external auditing body in the form of a European Court of Auditors;
- 22. Welcomes the Commission's proposals to this effect;
- 23. Asserts, however,
  - (a) that the members of the Court of Auditors, who must be completely independent, must be appointed in agreement with Parliament;
  - (b) that the Court must report to Parliament and be ready at all times to assist and advise it in the exercise of its auditing rights;
- 24. Welcomes the proposal to the effect that Parliament alone, on a recommendation of the Council, should in future give a discharge in respect of the budget;



### Conclusion

25. Reaffirms that it cannot, under the own resources system, endorse any proposal which does not confer real budgetary power on the representatives of the people of the Member States of the Community;
26. Requests therefore:
  - (a) that the Commission should review its proposals in the light of this Resolution;
  - (b) that the Council should not take any decisions without first consulting Parliament;
27. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

### RESOLUTION

on a proposal to transfer appropriations from one chapter to another within Section III 'Commission' of the budget of the European Communities for the financial year 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 21 of the Financial Regulations applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (Doc. 138/73),
  - having regard to draft supplementary and rectifying budget No 2 for the financial year 1973 (Doc. 143/73),
  - having regard to the report of its Committee on Budgets (Doc. 177/73),
  - having regard to the information supplied by the Commission to the Committee on Budgets on 27 September 1973,
1. Approves the proposal to transfer appropriations to the value of 1 499 000 u.a. from Chapter 98 'Provisional appropriations not allocated' to Chapter 26 'Expenditure on research, surveys and consultations' of Section III of the budget of the European Communities;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Commission and Council of the Communities.

### RESOLUTION

on an amendment to Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament concerning the quorum in plenary sitting and Rule 41 concerning the quorum for committee meetings

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to its Rules of Procedure;
- having regard to the report by the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 183/73).

1. Decides to amend as follows Rules 33 and 41 of its Rules of Procedure:

‘Rule 33

1. The Parliament may deliberate, settle its agenda and approve the minutes of proceedings, whatever the number of Representatives present.
2. A quorum shall exist when *one third* of the current members of Parliament are present.
3. All votes other than votes by roll call shall be valid whatever the number of voters unless, before the voting has begun, the President has been requested by at least ten Representatives to ascertain the number of those present.
4. A vote by roll call shall be valid only if *one third* of the current members of Parliament have taken part in it. *However, if so requested before the voting has begun by at least 30 Representatives present, it shall be valid only if a majority of the current members of Parliament have taken part in it.*
5. Should this not be the case, the vote shall be placed on the agenda of the next sitting.’

‘Rule 41

1. Rules 7 (2), 29, 30, 31, 32 and 35 (4, 5, 6) shall apply, as appropriate, to committee meetings.
2. A committee may validly deliberate and vote when one third of its *current* members are present. However, if so requested by one-sixth of its members before voting begins, the vote shall be valid only if the number of voters represents an absolute majority of the committee members.
3. Voting in committee shall be by show of hands, unless any Representative demands a vote by roll call.
4. The Chairman may take part in discussions and may vote, but without having a casting vote.
5. Without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 2 above, the Bureau shall be elected by secret ballot without discussion. Its election shall require an absolute majority of the votes cast; if, however, a second ballot is necessary, a relative majority shall suffice.  
If the number of nominations corresponds to the number of seats to be filled, the candidate or candidates may be declared elected without holding the ballot stipulated in the preceding paragraph.
6. The procedure for sub-committees shall be the same as for committees.
7. The minutes of each meeting of a committee shall be distributed to all its members and submitted to the committee for its approval at its next meeting.
8. In addition, a summary report of the proceedings shall be drawn up. Unless the committee decides otherwise, however, such report shall not be distributed but shall be available to all Representatives.
9. Unless the committee decides otherwise, the only texts that shall be made public shall be reports adopted and statements that have been prepared on the responsibility of the Chairman.’

2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities for their information.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council concerning the annual report on the economic situation in the Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission concerning the annual report on the economic situation in the Community (Doc. 182/73);
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 4 of the Council Decision of 22 March 1971 on the strengthening of coordination of short-term economic policies of the Member States of the European Economic Community <sup>(1)</sup>;
- having regard to the medium-term economic policy programme for the period from 1971 to 1975;
- having regard to the Council Resolution of 5 December 1972 on measures to be taken against inflation <sup>(2)</sup>;
- having regard to its Resolutions of 11 October 1972, 15 February 1973 and 9 May 1973 ;
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 191/73);
- having regard to the attached opinion of the Committee on Budgets;

1. Reiterates its warning that the persistent and rapid increases in prices could have grave repercussions not only in the socio-economic sphere but, ultimately, also on the social system;

2. Notes that the Council's conjunctural policy recommendations were again only partly followed last year and that not all the Member States attached the same importance to the economic policy objectives, thereby jeopardizing the attainment of economic and monetary union, a priority Community objective;

3. Calls upon the Council to adopt a Decision, pursuant to Article 235 of the Treaty, extending and strengthening the decision-making and executive powers of the Community institutions in the field of economic policy, and urges the Commission finally to put forward a draft Regulation on stability, economic growth, a high level of employment and balanced external trade, so as to make available in the Community not only uniform policies but also uniform instruments;

4. Endorses the assessment of the economic situation and the conjunctural policy proposals contained in the draft annual report on the economic situation in the Community;

5. Urges, however, that these proposals be supplemented or made more specific as regards the following points:

- Although a strict budgetary, monetary and credit policy is, generally speaking essential, inflation can only be effectively combated if the authorities also share the responsibility for prices and incomes trends;
- More information about incomes must be provided;
- Budgetary, monetary and credit policy measures must now be supplemented by supervision of prices as proposed in the Council Resolution of 28 June 1973 <sup>(3)</sup>;
- In view of the reluctance of the authorities and the two sides of industry to take resolute action against inflation, thought must be given to securing public support for the energetic measures needed to ensure that in the fight against inflation the burden is equitably distributed;
- To this end, a Community programme of action based on the annual economic report should be announced and implemented simultaneously throughout the Community and backed by the requisite publicity, in order to overcome the fatalistic attitude to inflation;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1971, p. 12.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 133, 23. 12. 1972, p. 12.

<sup>(3)</sup> Para. VI.

6. Considers that an early return to order in international monetary affairs is also of great importance for price stability;
7. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and Annex to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and also to the national Parliaments and Governments of the Member States.

#### ANNEX

##### Opinion of the Committee on Budgets adopted by the European Parliament

1. Believes that because their economies are interrelated and in view of the interaction of measures taken by them, the Member States must bring about better coordination of their budgetary policies and implement more strictly the recommendations made by the Community institutions in the annual report on the economic situation of the Community;
2. Urges the Commission and Council in making recommendations to individual States to adopt as far as possible the terminology used in that State, so that governmental proposals can be compared with the recommendations of the Community in the national parliaments without being misconstrued;
3. Considers it necessary for effective steps to be taken to make the budgets of Member States more mutually comparable;
4. Urges rapid action to involve the three new Member States more closely in the coordination of budgetary policy;
5. Asserts that the rate of growth of public expenditure must in general not exceed that of the gross national product;
6. Considers moreover that, in conjunction with budgetary policy, taxation policy can be used as an instrument of social policy permitting the implementation of an incomes policy designed to bring about a more equitable distribution of incomes;
7. Hopes that the national parliaments can consider the budgets of their countries in terms not only of national interests but also of the requirements of the Community as a whole.

#### RESOLUTION

on an amendment to Rule 36 (5) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament on the minimum number of members necessary to form a political group

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Rules of Procedure;
- having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 190/73),

1. Has decided to amend Rule 36 (5) of the Rules of Procedure as follows:

*Rule 36*

1. Representatives may form themselves into groups according to their political affinities.
  2. A political group shall be considered to have been set up after the President has been handed a statement to that effect containing the name of the group, the signatures of its members and the composition of its Bureau.
  3. This statement shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.
  4. No Representative may be a member of more than one group.
  5. A group shall consist of not less than fourteen members. *However, a group may consist of not less than ten members where these come from at least three Member States.*
2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution, and the report of its committee for information, to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**

**on the conflict in the Near and Middle East**

*The European Parliament,*

- deploring the resumption of hostilities in the Near and Middle East;
- noting that the continued fighting is an extremely grave threat to world peace;
- recalling the European Community's responsibility in the world in general and in the Mediterranean in particular;

1. Notes the concerted efforts made by Member States to find some means of putting an end to hostilities;
2. Urgently calls for an emergency meeting of the Conference of Foreign Ministers so that the Community's good offices may be offered with a view to bringing about a cease-fire followed by early negotiations, either direct or indirect, such as may guarantee a lasting peace;
3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments of Member States.

**RESOLUTION**

**on the military coup d'état in Chile**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- deeply disturbed by the military coup d'état in Chile which led to the death of President Allende and many of his countrymen, and seriously concerned by current developments;

- recalling its friendly and constructive ties with the Latin-American Parliament, in which the freely elected representatives of the Chilean Parliament now subjected to a military dictatorship also had their seats;
- condemning all action which interferes with the legitimate constitution based on free democratic elections;
- condemning all violations of the basic rights and fundamental freedoms of man, in particular torture, imprisonment, persecution and execution on political grounds;
- expressing its wholehearted support for those in Chile striving to restore constitutional democracy;

1. Urges:

- a rapid return to democratic government and basic human rights and freedoms in Chile,
- an immediate stop to the military regime's repressive measures against the people of Chile,
- consideration of practical measures that could be taken by the Community to re-establish a democratic and constitutional government;

2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments of the Member States.

## RESOLUTION

on relations between the European Community and the United States of America

*The European Parliament,*

- considering that the advancing process of unification in the European Community profoundly affects relations with the United States of America;
- conscious of the fact that the United States has repeatedly declared it to be a principle of its foreign policy to support the political and economic integration of the Europe of the Communities;
- noting that, in spite of this fundamental support, a number of problems have arisen as a result of economic, monetary policy and security policy developments in the last few years, and that an intensified and open dialogue is therefore now necessary;
- having regard to the Declaration by the Foreign Ministers of the nine Member States of the Community at their meeting in Copenhagen on 10-11 September 1973 on relations between the Community and the United States of America;
- having regard to the Joint Declaration of 7 May 1973 by delegations from the European Parliament and the United States Congress;
- having regard to the report by the Political Affairs Committee and the Opinions of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 188/73);

(a) *foreign policy in general*

1. Is of the opinion that, through an appropriate active policy, the enlarged Community must become aware of its increased responsibility for external relations, understood in worldwide terms, and that relations with the United States of America must be seen within the context of this policy;
2. Calls for a coherent Community policy towards the United States which, while taking account of the special features of individual problems, in particular the varying degrees of urgency and the various solutions that might be found within existing organizations, is determined by an overall political approach;

3. Is of the opinion that a dialogue between the Community and the United States of America must inevitably run up against certain limitations, unless it can be widened to include other political questions, which do not yet lie within the direct sphere of responsibility of the Community institutions;
4. Calls therefore for an intensification of political cooperation between the Community's Member States and Community institutions;
5. Would consider it an advantage, in this connection, if the Community could speak with a single voice in the sphere of security policy, notably, for those member countries of the Community who are also members of NATO, in the framework of NATO;

*(b) economic and monetary relations*

6. Is convinced that, in the field of economic relations, and particularly in regard to trade, monetary stability, cooperation in development problems and supplies of energy and raw materials, the Community and the United States have fundamental common interests which, irrespective of any possible differences, should form a basis for forward-looking solutions equally satisfactory to both sides;
7. Considers it extremely important for the United States and the Community to press on with determination with the liberalization of world trade in the present GATT negotiations through a joint effort and on the basis of negotiating mandates allowing adequate room for manoeuvre, at the same time giving the developing countries special opportunities to share in the expansion of world trade;
8. Calls for the adoption of a common attitude by the two partners towards the drafting of international agreements for world agricultural trade and of a list of rules of good conduct in trade which, amongst other things, would prevent unpleasant surprises in the supply of agricultural primary commodities;
9. Considers that an early solution to present monetary problems is extremely urgent and that short-term measures must aim at long-term reform centred on special drawing rights, and is of the opinion that in this connection the accelerated establishment of economic and monetary union would greatly increase the influence of the Community and its effectiveness in discussions;
10. Recommends, in view of the growing international demand for energy, and associated problems, a new form of cooperation between the major energy-consuming nations, covering the development of new sources of energy, avoidance of waste of energy, a policy on energy reserves and the problem of damage to the environment through the use of energy;

*(c) organization of the dialogue with the United States of America*

11. Is of the opinion that the dialogue with the United States must be intensified and speeded up by both sides on a footing of equality, in order to make practical progress in the foreseeable future towards solving existing problems, but that no new institutions are needed for this purpose;
12. Urges that the Community institutions, and in particular the Commission, should be put in a better position to represent the Community as a whole as part of their responsibilities towards the rest of the world, this being particularly urgent for current international negotiations;
13. Welcomes the guidelines laid down in the statement issued by the Foreign Ministers of the Community countries at their meeting in Copenhagen on 10-11 September 1973 in regard to preparations for the visit of the American President and the prospects for closer contacts with the United States, but urges that these declarations of intent, which have of necessity been very general, should be rephrased in more concrete terms in the near future;
14. Emphasizes the importance of direct parliamentary contacts in this connection, and notes with satisfaction the results of past meetings between delegations from the European Parliament and the United States Congress;
15. Hopes that these contacts will be intensified as a result of the meeting arranged for the end of October between delegations from the European Parliament and the United States Congress;
16. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and to the Governments of Member States.

## RESOLUTION

### on the Agreement signed between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway

#### *The European Parliament,*

- considering the agreement signed on 14 May 1973 between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway,
- having regard to the explanation given on 4 May 1973, at a joint meeting of Political, Agriculture and External Economic Relations Committees, by the Chairman-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities, Mr van Elsslande, on this subject,
- aware of the importance of this agreement for the enlarged community and for international relations,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 161/73).

#### *As regards principles*

1. Welcomes the fact that Norway will now join the other EFTA non-candidate countries in the creation with the Community, in principle by 1977, of a free trade zone for industrial products.
2. Considers that the agreement, whilst taking full account of the present economic circumstances, establishes clearer, fairer and more advantageous commercial relations between the Community and Norway, with due regard for their autonomous power of decision, and in accordance with the provisions of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).
3. Considers it wise that this agreement should not be viewed as the final word in relations between Norway and the Community and should not therefore exclude any further development.
4. Attaches great importance to the role which the Joint Committee, established under the agreement, can play, not only in the administration of the agreement but also in its possible extension into other fields — such as, for instance, the shipping policy — and therefore asks that the fullest possible use be made of this body.
5. Reiterates the demand, expressed in the Resolution of 15 March 1973 <sup>(1)</sup>, that the Commission of the Communities should study the problem of the participation of the Parliament in the ratification of commercial agreements signed by the Community and make proposals on this subject before 31 December 1973 so as to ensure that full information be given thus allowing for real democratic control.
6. Approves, as far as the Community is concerned, the aforementioned agreement as well as the agreement between the member states of the European Coal and Steel Community and the Community on the one hand and Norway on the other.

#### *As regards particular provisions of the agreement*

7. Considers that the concessions granted for fish products from Norway are justified on economic grounds and by the fact that free trade in some of them already existed within EFTA.
8. Considers also that the arrangement for imports of aluminium from Norway represents a compromise which is fair and reasonable to both parties.
9. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and also to the competent authorities of the Kingdom of Norway.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 19, 12. 4. 1973, p. 30.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concerning measures to be taken in agriculture in view of the rise in the central rate for the Dutch guilder

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1582 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 176/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 192/73) and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets.
1. Regrets once again the non-existence of an economic and monetary union, a fact which endangers the achievements of the agricultural common market;
  2. Emphasizes that the revaluation of the central rate of the florin appears to have been decided unilaterally and arouses justifiable apprehension among some of the partners;
  3. Regrets that the amount of the cost to be borne by the EAGGF, guarantee section, of part of the aid granted by the Dutch Government, cannot be based on more objective estimates;
  4. Recognizes that the proposed system of compensatory payments does not act to the detriment of the consumer as regards prices of agricultural products;
  5. Notes, however, that the producers are only partially and temporarily compensated for their loss of revenue;
  6. Admits that this system is a simple one and that it will avoid the introduction of compensatory payments in Benelux;
  7. Resigned, moreover, to the temporary nature of the measure and in the light of the foregoing observations approves the proposal for a regulation;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the report from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the adjustment of short-term monetary support arrangements and the conditions for the progressive pooling of reserves

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the report from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 147/73);
- having regard to the final Declaration of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of 19-20 October 1972;

- having regard to its Resolutions of 15 March 1973 and 5 July 1973
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 189/73).

1. Recognizes that the Commission's report mentioned above (Doc. 147/73) generally meets the requests put forward by the European Parliament;
2. Considers it desirable that the monetary authorities of each Member State should deposit 20 % of their monetary reserves in the appropriate proportions of gold, Special Drawing Rights and foreign currency in the European Monetary Fund on 1 January 1974. If the sums deposited are liable to interest, this interest shall be credited to the national monetary authorities making the deposits;
3. Does not consider it necessary to fix the Fund's capital at 500 million u.a., but takes the view that a much smaller, even symbolical sum would be adequate and that there is nothing to prevent subsequent increases of capital from being derived from the Fund's profits;
4. Considers a credit ceiling of the proposed amount to be mistakenly high in view of the present ample supply of liquid assets, and invites the Commission to propose a smaller money-creating potential for the European Monetary Fund. Parliament's assumption is that the Fund's credits will bear interest at rates conforming to the market situation;
5. Urges that the strengthening of the European Monetary Fund should also lead to a strengthening of the Community's powers of decision in matters of economic policy. This applies in particular to Member States' monetary, financial and exchange rate policies. Before further deposits of monetary reserves are considered, the Community's responsibilities in the field of economic policy must be further strengthened;
6. Considers it necessary to remove by stages restrictions on monetary and capital movements within the Community and, where conditions make it possible and appropriate, to replace the present multiplicity of controls by a division of the currency markets. The control of monetary and capital movements within the Community must be abolished by 1980 at the latest;
7. Expects that Great Britain, Ireland and Italy will be able to join the European monetary system;
8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, to the Committee of Central Bank Presidents and to the Parliaments and Governments of the Member States.

#### RESOLUTION

on the Summit Conference of Heads of State or Government to be held in Copenhagen on  
15 and 16 December 1973

*The European Parliament,*

- profoundly convinced that the international situation and the situation within the Community itself call for the acceleration of the process of European unification which was solemnly decided by the Heads of State or Government at the Paris Conference of 19 to 21 October 1972 with a view to achieving European Union,
  - having regard to its resolution of 17 October 1973 on the conflict in the Middle East and to the statement made by the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Member States of the Community on 5 November 1973,
1. Notes with satisfaction that on the initiative of the President of the French Republic and at the invitation of the Danish Government, a Summit Conference of the Heads of State or Government of the Member States is to be held in Copenhagen on 15 and 16 December 1973;

2. Summons the Member States to recognize that the European Community must assert its position as a separate entity in the international context and to apply themselves without delay to the task of evolving, in a spirit of real solidarity, a Community policy in all areas, including that of foreign policy;
3. Emphasizes, in this connection, that the existing Community structures must be utilized effectively and demands that all efforts to achieve European Union shall find their place within the framework of the Community;
4. Instructs its Political Affairs Committee to follow the preparations for the coming Summit Conference and to report on the matter at the earliest possible date;
5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Governments of the Member States and to the Council and Commission of the Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the communication from the Commission to the Council on initial implementation of the 'Guidelines and Priorities for a Community Energy Policy'

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the communication from the Commission on initial implementation of the guidelines and priorities for a Community energy policy (COM (73) 1320),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 168/73),
  - having regard to the final declaration of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of the countries of the enlarged Community held in Paris on 19 to 21 October 1972,
  - having regard to the critical situation for the Community's energy supply created by the continued political instability in the Middle East and currently accentuated by the Arab-Israeli conflict,
  - referring to its previous resolutions on energy policy in particular those on:
    - means of securing adequate energy supplies to satisfy the Community's requirements and guarantee, promote and further improve the Community's competitiveness on the world market as a prerequisite for economic growth, full employment and a forward-looking social policy <sup>(1)</sup>;
    - the communications from the Commission to the Council on:
      - (a) the progress necessary in Community energy policy, and
      - (b) energy policy: problems and resources 1975 to 1985 <sup>(2)</sup>;
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the opinion of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 220/73),
1. Believes that the prosperity and security of the whole free world depends on the availability of adequate and reliable supplies of energy on satisfactory economic terms;
  2. Reaffirms its longstanding demands for the preparation of a common energy policy by the Commission and the Council with detailed proposals for its implementation and a precise time table for its application;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 37, 4. 6. 1973, p. 19.

3. Expresses its deep concern that during the next 10 to 20 years oil is to provide the mainstay of the world's energy supplies;
4. Draws attention to the fact that because of the size of known reserves and the lead time for finding and developing new oil and other energy resources, the world's growing needs can only be supplied by huge increases of oil imports from the Middle East;
5. Considers that the Community's continued dependence upon supplies of oil from the present sources poses a real and rising threat to the Community's economy and its future expansion;
6. Expresses its growing anxiety at the political, financial and monetary consequences to the Community arising out of the phenom increase in the size of funds accruing to the producing countries and incapable of being absorbed in their internal economies;
7. In the light of the present situation, calls upon the Council and the Member States to introduce the common energy policy on a basis of mutual cooperation between all Member States and in accordance with Article 34 of the EEC Treaty, to devote particular attention to those Member States whose energy supplies are insecure and in this connection not to exclude politico-economic counter-measures against third countries.
8. Draws the attention of the Commission and the Council to the growing evidence of the interdependence of industrial, monetary, commercial and foreign policies of the Community, with special relevance to securing reliable and regular energy supplies for the future;
9. Considers that it is absolutely essential to take steps to establish cooperation with other consumer countries particularly the developing countries, as well as with producer and supplier countries;
10. Notes and welcomes the offer of the USA to include energy policy in a new Atlantic Declaration and urges the Commission and the Council to follow up the offer energetically;
11. Considers, however, that an energy policy for the oil importing countries cannot be limited to the Atlantic group of nations;
12. Approves the principle of setting up a Hydrocarbon Supply Committee as suggested by the Commission, but requests the Commission to take into consideration the modification concerning the responsibilities of the Supply Committee proposed by the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology;
13. Approves the Commission's proposals to extend the obligation to notify imports of crude oil and natural gas to include imports of other petroleum products as well as exports of crude oil, natural gas and other petroleum products;
14. Approves the Commission's proposals that trade in petroleum products between the Community and third countries should be brought under the common import and export procedures;
15. Approves the Commission's proposals that the surveillance measures in the common import and export Regulations should be put into effect for both imports and exports of hydrocarbons;
16. Calls on the Commission to organize the petroleum market in such a way that the European market does not become less interesting to the oil suppliers than those of the USA and Japan;
17. Considers that these specific proposals of the Commission can only be regarded as a first step, and is of the opinion that the establishment of an effective Community energy supply policy would require new powers for the Community institutions, pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;

18. Requests the Commission to keep under constant revision the Directives on stockpiling, rationing and equitable sharing of import availabilities between all Member States in case of an overall or specific country emergency;
19. Requests the Commission to give urgent consideration to the way in which the application of the Rules of Competition (Article 85 in the EEC Treaty) affect the ability of the Community to establish an effective energy policy, particularly in the field of supply and distribution of oil;
20. Urges the Commission to prepare proposals for Directives and Regulations for the promotion of greater efficiency in the distribution and use of oil and gas, for example by improving thermal insulation against wastage of fuel;
21. Calls for the establishment of a consultative body, similar to the CREST in the field of research and technology, with competence to cover all aspects of energy, including research, production, distribution and use;
22. Considers the proposals from the Commission to the Council for a Regulation on comprehensive information over a certain period on all movements on the Community's petroleum market adequate for the present situation but urges the Commission to report to Parliament on the effects of the regulation as soon as it expires;
23. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its responsible Committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on certain prerequisites for future guidelines concerning the supply and use of gas in the Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the document of the Commission of the Communities on medium-term forecasts and guidelines for the gas sector in the Community, (SEC (72) 3182 fin.),
  - referring to its previous Resolutions on energy policy, in particular those on:
    - means of securing adequate energy supplies to satisfy the Community's requirements and to guarantee, promote and further improve the Community's competitive position on the world market as a prerequisite for economic growth, full employment and a forward-looking social policy <sup>(1)</sup>;
    - the communications from the Commission to the Council on:
      - (a) the progress necessary in Community energy policy, and
      - (b) energy policy: problems and resources, 1975 to 1985 <sup>(2)</sup>,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 213/73),
1. Points to the absolute necessity, recognized in the declaration of the Paris Summit Conference, for a Community energy policy guaranteeing reliable and regular supplies under satisfactory economic conditions;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 37, 4. 6. 1973, p. 19.

2. Considers that the present situation and foreseeable developments in the natural gas sector call for systematic measures on the Community's part within the framework of a Community energy policy;
3. Considers that the Community cannot, with regard to its natural gas supplies, always speculate upon hypothetical discoveries of new deposits;
4. Takes the view that the Community's growing opportunities for importing natural gas call for the introduction in this sector of a genuine common commercial policy capable of easing the strains on the world market;
5. Emphasizes that an adequate level of natural gas supplies to the Community from its own resources can only be assured by maintaining production and prospecting of derived gases as well as that of natural gas;
6. Consequently requests the Commission of the Communities to work out a production plan for derived gases;
7. Points out that the main emphasis should be placed on research into the gasification of coal, and stresses the opportunities offered in this sphere by high-temperature reactors;
8. Considers that the qualities of natural gas and its scarcity imply a need for economical and optimal utilization;
9. Requests the Commission to find a solution for the use of natural gas in weakly structured and ecologically backward regions;
10. Requests the Commission to submit a proposal for a Directive on the primary, if not exclusive, use of natural gas by households and low energy-consuming industries.
11. Requests the Commission to propose as soon as possible the adoption of a security code for the transport and utilization of gas;
12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the Committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

### on the current situation in the move towards economic and monetary union

*The European Parliament,*

- recalling its Resolution of 5 July 1973 <sup>(1)</sup> on the results of the first phase of economic and monetary union,
- recalling its Resolution of 16 October 1973 <sup>(2)</sup> on the economic situation of the Community,
- recalling its Resolutions of 19 October 1973 <sup>(3)</sup> on the progressive pooling of monetary reserves,

<sup>(1)</sup> Report on the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 68/73) on the progress achieved in the first stage of economic and monetary union, on the allocation of powers and responsibilities among the Community institutions and the Member States essential to the proper functioning of economic and monetary union, and on the measures to be taken in the second stage of economic and monetary union.  
Rapporteur: Sir Brandon Rhys Williams.

<sup>(2)</sup> Report on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 182/73) concerning the annual report on the economic situation in the Community.  
Rapporteur: Mr J. E. Bousch.

<sup>(3)</sup> Report on the report from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 147/73) on the adjustment of short-term monetary support arrangements and the conditions for the progressive pooling of reserves.  
Rapporteur: Mr K. Arndt.

1. Sees with alarm the pressing economic problems of the European Community;
2. Notes with particular concern the continuing high rate of inflation in all Member countries;
3. Recognizes furthermore the acute danger to stability, growth and full employment throughout the Community following the restriction of oil exports from major producers in the Middle East;
4. Deplores the Council's delay in meeting to consider the next steps towards Economic and Monetary Union and the measures needed to bring to fruition the decisions already taken;
5. Insists that the immediate economic threats to the Community can only be tackled effectively by solidarity and joint action, and calls on Member governments to recognize their duty to respond in the interests of the Community as a whole;
6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and to the parliaments and governments of the Member States.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission to the Council for a Regulation extending for the years 1972, 1973 and 1974 certain time limits for granting aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43<sup>a</sup> of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 198/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and to the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 199/73),
1. Regrets the delay in Decisions by the Commission of the European Communities on applications for aid from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund and the hardship thereby suffered by the agricultural sector;
  2. Calls upon the Commission of the European Communities to recruit immediately adequate staff, and to request forthwith the financial allocations required, so as to enable decisions to be made within twelve months of the date limit laid down by Regulation (EEC) No 2140/72 for the submission of applications for aid for 1973 from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund, that is to say, that decisions on application submitted for 1973 should be made by 30 June 1974;
  3. Calls for improvements in the administrative procedures and information services of Member States in order to eliminate unnecessary delays, especially those caused by the submission of incomplete dossiers;
  4. Approves the Commission's proposal that the time limit within which the Commission must, under the second sentence of the first subparagraph of Article 20 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC, take a decision on application for aid from the Guidance Section of the fund submitted to it, within the time limit fixed in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 847/72 for 1972, shall be extended to 31 October 1973 for projects submitted for 1972;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 98, 16. 11. 1973, p. 9.

5. Approves the Commission's proposal that the time limit fixed in the first sentence of the first subparagraph of Article 20 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC for the submission of applications for aid from the Guidance Section of the fund shall be extended until 30 June 1974 in respect of applications for aid for 1974;
6. Amends from 31 October 1974 to 30 June 1974 the Commission's proposed extension of the time limit within which the Commission must, under the second sentence of the first subparagraph of Article 20 (1) of Regulation No 17/64/EEC, take a Decision on applications for aid from the Guidance Section of the Fund within the time limit fixed in Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2140/72 for projects submitted for 1973;
7. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its Committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation fixing the target price and the intervention price for olive oil for the 1973/74 marketing year

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1630 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 179/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 200/73),
1. Cannot approve the Commission's proposal concerning the fixing of the market target price for olive oil for the 1973/74 marketing year since this proposal is based on forecasts of the market situation resulting from unilateral measures adopted by an exporting country, Spain, and since above all it takes account neither of the increase and improvement of olive oil production in Italy in 1973, nor of the price freeze and control policy implemented by the Italian State in agreement with the Community Institutions, nor of the ratio between the price of seed oil and the price of olive oil at the time repeatedly adopted by the Council as 1 : 2.20, nor, finally, of the rapid increase in production costs resulting from strong inflationary trends which, moreover, led the Council of Ministers last year to use the utmost moderation in fixing the new agricultural prices, including the production target price for olive oil, and therefore invites the Commission to reconsider its proposal;
  2. Notes that the Commission now holds out the prospect of new proposals for improved operation of the system of subsidies for producers;
  3. Considers that the fixing of the prices in question for the 1974/75 marketing year should be made dependent on the establishment of more detailed implementing provisions for the calculation and granting of such subsidies, and therefore strongly urges the Commission to expedite the submission of the proposals in question;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a second Directive amending the Council Directive of 14 June 1966 on the marketing of forest reproductive material

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 111/73-III),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 215/73):
    - (a) considering the economic and ecological importance of forestry activities for the Community;
    - (b) considering that Community regulations for reproductive materials would facilitate trade in such materials and therefore foster the development of the activities referred to,
1. Approves in principle the present proposal for a Directive;
  2. Invites the Commission of the European Communities to adopt the following amendments pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 85.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on a ninth amendment to the Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning the preservatives authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 797 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 114/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 201/73),
1. Approves the proposal for a Directive in principle, since the Commission's recommendation that these preservatives be authorized, which is based on statements by experts on the Scientific Committee on Foodstuffs and on the results of years of experiments on animals, takes the safety factor into account;
  2. Makes its approval to the proposal for a Directive subject to the condition that, when new authorized preservatives are used, an indication to this effect will be mandatory, and at the same time urges the Commission to make such indication mandatory for the preservatives authorized earlier;

3. Regrets that the proposal does not take into account the cumulative effect produced by the simultaneous use of boric acid or borax and hexamethylene-tetramine, and therefore asks the Commission to make the necessary additions to the conditions of use;
4. Considers that the Commission should make suitable proposals for the continuation of current research and investigation into improved silage systems and methods of feeding cows on silage fodder, so that hexamethylene-tetramine for preserving the Italian 'Provolone' and 'Grana padano' cheeses can shortly be dispensed with;
5. Stresses that the so-called review clause concerning boric acid and borax (see the proposed amendment inserting a new Article 1a must be made binding on the Council and the Commission and that the European Parliament must be consulted before the 1976 review;
6. Is in favour of reducing the acceptable daily intake of hexamethylene-tetramine to 0.15 mg/kg;
7. Stresses the need to limit severely the transitional period during which, notwithstanding the policy of approximating legislation, certain national laws may be retained;
8. Urges the Commission and the Council to proceed immediately with the second stage in the approximation of the laws of Member States concerning preservatives as intended by the Basic Directive of 1963, and to press ahead with all possible speed to its final completion;
9. Considers it fundamental that new findings, which may allow certain preservatives to be replaced by other less harmful substances, should be reflected immediately in the Community legislation, and therefore considers it essential for the Commission departments concerned to keep scientific research and technological developments in the field of preservatives under constant review;
10. Considers it essential for the protection of public health for the Commission and the Council to draw up as soon as possible the conditions which food manufacturers in the Community will be required to comply with;
11. Asks the Commission to incorporate the attached amendments in its proposal, pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
12. Asks its appropriate committee to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities incorporates the amendments proposed by the European Parliament and to report back to it if necessary;
13. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on Modifications to the European Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure for the 1974 financial year (Section I of the draft general budget of the Communities)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rules 23A, 49 and 50 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report drawn up by the Committee on Budgets and the proposed Modifications annexed thereto (Doc. 230/73),

1. Amends the 1974 draft estimates as indicated in the proposed Modifications (Nos 50, 48, 49, 36/rev., 18, 51, 35, 34, 20/rev.);
2. Accordingly adopts the final estimates of revenue and expenditure for 1974, amounting to 33 236 383 units of account;
3. Instructs its President to inform the Council and Commission of the European Communities accordingly.

#### RESOLUTION

##### on the draft general budget of the European Communities for 1974

###### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the preliminary draft budget of the European Communities and particularly to the explanatory statement of Section 3 concerning the Commission,
- having regard to the draft general budget of the Communities for 1974 and the explanatory statement provided by the Council (Doc. 187/73),
- having regard to the report of the Budget Committee, the Opinions of other Committees, and the proposed amendments which are joined to this report (Doc. 231/73),
- after having debated with the Commission and the Council,

1. Emphasizes that this draft budget for 1974 is the last before the budget of the Community is financed entirely from the Communities' own resources and that as we approach January 1 1975, the Parliament is determined to search for a new institutional balance which is necessary as the Community becomes financially autonomous;
2. Believes that inter-institutional collaboration must improve during the coming financial year, given the great problems which the Institutions will have to resolve in the implementation and within the context of the new budgetary provisions;
3. Welcomes the steps towards collaboration which have been taken by Parliament and the other Institutions as regards the budgetary procedure, however, reiterates again the fact that a real and effective dialogue must be founded — as was envisaged in the Financial Regulation which came into force on 1 May 1973 — on the clear explanation by the Council of the reasons which may have led it to differ from the preliminary draft budget submitted by the Commission, deeply regrets that the explanatory statement given by the Council completely fails to satisfy this need;
4. Further observes with dismay that the inter-institutional collaboration for Community Acts with financial implications has not honoured the undertakings of the Council and the Commission at the time of the Treaty of 22 April 1970 which has thus resulted in Parliament being unable to make a proper assessment of such proposals because it has not received satisfactory financial schedules accompanying such Acts; also recalls that this point was clearly emphasized in Parliament's Resolution on the draft budget for 1973;
5. Insists that the Commission henceforth transmit to Parliament financial schedules, on the model proposed in the report of the Budget Committee, when it makes proposals with financial implications;

6. Asks the Commission to let the Parliament know the main proposals for measures increasing internal control, reserves its position until the final decisions have been taken after a trial period, is favourably disposed to an increase in the number of officials concerned with internal control measures to be engaged at the time of the introduction of a supplementary budget for the Regional Fund, notes the intention of the Commission to proceed to fulfil these tasks, in part by recruiting specialist staff, perhaps outside the national administrations, and in part by extending the scope of work of officials present in the Commission.

*Basic features of the draft budget*

7. Observes that the draft budget amounts to slightly more than 5 000 million units of account; whilst the Commission's preliminary draft was for 5 780 million units of account;

8. Regrets profoundly that the reason for these reductions has been the failure by the Council to include appropriations for the Regional Policy and to make the substantial increases proposed by the Commission of the Communities in the appropriations for the Social Policy, which has meant that the Budget is no longer diversified encompassing a wide spectrum of Community policies thus contributing to a broadening of the Community, but reverts once more to being one predominantly for the agricultural markets;

9. Recalls moreover that the draft budget as now proposed by the Council does not fulfil the demands laid down by the Summit Conference of the Heads of State and Government of the Member States in October 1972 and that to carry out the obligations set out there, substantial appropriations must be included in the operational chapters of the Budget for the Regional Policy by 1 January 1974; insists that the figure eventually provides for the huge tasks which have been assigned to it — namely the progressive reduction and eventual elimination of regional imbalances in Europe — and its relationship to European integration, particularly to the realization of economic and monetary union;

10. Notes Council's intention to provide appropriations for these policies by supplementary budgets, reminds the Council that such supplementary budgets make the budgetary procedure more difficult from the aspect of financial control and draws to the attention of the Council that this practice which has been used too often in the past will have to be abandoned in the period of financing by own resources; recognizes that as regards the Social Fund our inadequacy of position for 1974 as well as necessitating a possible further supplementary budget may well lead to a distortion of the criteria for grants under present social policy and the arbitrary refusal of requests for funds by the Commission;

11. Is opposed to the budgetary presentation in which the needs of the Community are shown in such a meagre fashion particularly since it has asked for the inclusion within the Budget of forward estimates, in conformity with Council Decision of 21 April 1970, in order to have a meaningful opportunity to examine the proposed growth of Community policies and hence the budgetary choices which result;

12. Deplores that in respect of the appropriations for the Guidance Section of the EAGGF — to cover finance for the improvement of agricultural structures — decisions taken in 1972 and 1973 have been called in question by the Council by a dubious budgetary procedure which relegates certain appropriations under 'Remarks' in the draft budget for 1974; believes that the general needs for reforming the agricultural structure have been expressed in a very confused budgetary arrangement both as regards the 'Remarks' and 'Explanations' and as regards the different items in the Budget;

13. Is critical of the absence for the second consecutive year of appropriations for industrial development policies and the extremely meagre appropriations for research investment policy, for youth activities, for the environment and for information policies;

14. Insists that the Council after having considered the proposed parliamentary amendments on the draft budget refers to them both in writing and orally in the Session which follows the adoption of the Budget;

15. Charges the PRESIDENT to transmit to Council the draft budget amended according to paragraph 4 of Article 78 (a) of the ESCS Treaty, Article 203a of the EEC Treaty, and Article 177a of the Euratom Treaty, as well as the Resolution, the minutes of today's sitting and the report of the Budget Committee.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of European Communities to the Council for

- I. a Decision on the creation of a Committee for Regional Policy
- II. a Financial Regulation relating to special provisions to be applied to the European Regional Development Fund
- III. a Regulation establishing a Regional Development Fund

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council, in an instance where such consultation was not compulsory, on the first two proposals, and obligatorily on the third, pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 152/73),
  - referring to its previous Resolution of 5 July 1973 <sup>(2)</sup>,
  - having regard to the interim report (Doc. 120/73) and the two further reports (Doc. 178/73 and Doc. 228/73) of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport, and to the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, and the Committee on Budgets,
1. Congratulates the Commission on having presented formal proposals in time for the Council to take a decision before the end of the year;
  2. Now urges the Council to adopt these proposals as soon as possible so that the Fund can be established by the date fixed by the Paris Summit Conference, i.e. before 31 December 1973;
  3. Insists that for the three years 1974 to 1976 inclusive a minimum financial appropriation of 2 250 million units of account shall be provided in the budgets of the Communities for the operations of the Regional Development Fund;
  4. Recalls that it has already criticized the essentially economic concept of the Commission <sup>(3)</sup>, and believes that the latter should take greater account of social and human factors in its practical proposals as the deficiencies are not only economic but involve above all education and occupational training;
  5. Regrets that the Commission has not changed its restrictive approach since it maintains that aid should only be granted for infrastructures connected with economic development;
  6. Considers that specific regional policy instruments should be given the widest possible application having regard to the overall nature of development;
  7. Insists on the need, at the initiative of the Commission, for a deeper regional analysis thus enabling the Commission to identify the most pressing regional problems;
  8. Stresses once again the need for aid to be granted from the Fund, in close cooperation with the other Community instruments, for infrastructures in particular education, occupational and social training, whose high costs and lack of immediate return represent a heavy burden;
  9. Considers on the other hand that action must be taken to counter the habitual tendency to apply aid too narrowly, thus causing geographical dispersion of resources, by channelling by priority into comprehensive measures in regions where the needs are most pressing and which show serious imbalances which cannot be remedied by the national intervention capacity;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 86, 16. 10. 1973, p. 7.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 62, 31. 7. 1973, p. 33.

<sup>(3)</sup> Resolution of 5 July 1973, point 7.

10. Insists that in the application of regional aid account must be taken of the unique character of the regional problems in countries which have no industrially developed region within their borders on which to draw internally for a transfer of resources;
11. Believes that European solidarity should be reflected in the strengthening of such regions and that the regional concentration of aid will be the test of this universally advocated solidarity;
12. Draws attention to the fact that this need to concentrate limited resources on a specific region and to call upon the Community's sense of common purpose requires the implementation of regional development programmes;
13. Considers that these regional programmes should be worked out and implemented with the active participation of local and regional authorities and the social partners concerned;
14. Because of these needs, fears that the proposed appropriations for the new Fund for 1974 are inadequate; asks the Council in conformity with the demands expressed in this paragraph to apply the procedure of Resolution No 2 annexed to the Treaty of 22 April 1970, so that Parliament can make a full appreciation of the quality of the financing of the Fund;
15. As regards the decision on the creation of a Committee for Regional Policy, because of Parliament's special responsibilities in budgetary matters believes it is important that the proposed Regional Policy Committee can examine problems relevant to regional development not only on request from the Council or the Commission but also on request from Parliament through the Commission and considers it is also important that Parliament be apprised by the Commission of the work and the results of the work of the Regional Policy Committee;
16. Invites the Council to match the proposed consultation with the Parliament on this subject (Article 3 (1) of the proposed Regulation) with the application of Resolution No 2 annexed to the Treaty of 22 April 1970 and to explain therefore publicly during these consultations the reasons that may have led it to differ from the view of Parliament; and is of the opinion that such a condition is essential for Parliament to be able to take a valid position when the Annual Budget is adopted on the budgetary consequences of Decisions relative to regional policy of the Community;
17. Is of the opinion that Parliament in exercising its budgetary authority should be able to pronounce with the Council on appropriations to be carried forward during the subsequent two years;
18. Asks the Commission of the Communities to establish the conditions for making the control procedures operable for the funds as soon as possible; considers that two elements as regards the control of Community funds are insufficient:
  - (a) the proposals concerning the possibilities of enquiries or verifications on-the-spot on the part of the Commission, and
  - (b) the Commission's right of initiative in this context;
19. Invites the Commission to adopt the following modifications pursuant to Article 149 of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
20. Invites the Committee responsible to keep these problems under review and to report on them to the European Parliament if necessary;
21. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the progress necessary in Community research, embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a scientific and technological policy programme

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a scientific and technological policy programme (COM (73) 1250 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 166/73),
- recalling its previous Resolutions stressing the need for a Community research and development policy,
- having regard to the interim report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 219/73),

1. Notes that the Commission's proposals give practical effect to paragraph 7 of the final communiqué of the Paris Conference of Heads of State or Government on industrial, scientific and technological policy <sup>(1)</sup>;
2. Believes that the structural measures proposed by the Commission, and particularly the setting-up of a Scientific and Technical Research Committee (STRC), will make it possible to set Community research and development targets especially in the medium- and long-term;
3. Hopes that in this way it will be possible to progress beyond the stage where non-Community research activities are conducted either at government level or on the basis of bilateral or multi-lateral agreements;
4. Considers that as a prerequisite for the coordination of national research and development policies, the Community should be regularly informed on such policies and that, furthermore, the Member States should comply with measures decided at Community level on the advice of the STRC;
5. Notes that decisions on Community research and development policy are having an increasing effect on national programmes and on the quality of life, and urges the European institutions and the Member States to give their fullest attention to drawing-up comprehensive guidelines in this area;
6. Is of the opinion that the Commission's proposals do not place sufficient emphasis on the legal and financial bases necessary for the definition of a Community research and development policy; considers in particular that in the case of a motion for a Resolution on the establishment of the STRC it would be desirable to apply Article 235 of the EEC Treaty;
7. Takes the view that funds for the implementation of the first stage of the action programme should be included in the Community Budget and requests that an initial sum of 1 million units of account be entered in an appropriate Article of the 1974 budget;

<sup>(1)</sup> Section 7 (paragraphs 2 and 3) containing the essential provisions in this field, reads as follows:

'Objectives will need to be defined and the development of a common policy in the field of science and technology ensured. This policy will require the coordination, within the institutions of the Community, of national policies and joint implementation of projects of interest to the Community.

To this end, a programme of action together with a precise timetable and appropriate measures should be decided by the Community's institutions before 1 January 1974.'

8. Agress with the Commission of the Communities that the selection of short-term Community research activities should be made within the framework of existing Community policies;
9. Calls on the Council to take an early decision on the proposals put forward by the Commission in the outline programme so that the Commission can frame practical implementing proposals without delay;
10. Reserves the right to analyse, in a subsequent report, the implications of the Commission's present proposals for the Joint Research Centre;
11. Emphasizes that the implementation of the Commission's proposals would constitute an immediate if modest step forward;
12. Expects the Commission to submit proposals consolidating and extending this initial progress towards a Community research and development programme;
13. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

##### on the need for a common policy on technology

*The European Parliament,*

having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 211/73),

1. Calls for the rapid implementation of a common policy on technology, the necessity for which was underlined during the Conference of Heads of State and of Government in Paris and without which the Community will not be able to face the challenge of the most advanced technological nations;
2. Considers that such a policy should tend, on the one hand, towards closer coordination of achievements in these fields within Member States and, on the other, the promotion and realization, by the Commission, of Community projects;
3. With this double aim in view, the Parliament invites the Commission:
  - (a) to proceed with the preparation of a comprehensive inventory of Community research and development resources showing, sector by sector, the extent of European cooperation already in progress and the areas in which increased cooperation would be desirable;
  - (b) to draw up a list of priorities for industrial sectors in which projects of Community interest should be initiated and to urge the Council to take prompt decisions on their implementation;
4. Is of the opinion that, in order to increase the information available to Community institutions, major technological projects financed wholly or in part from public sources should be notified to the Commission;
5. Suggests the establishment of a Community system for venture capital financing and increased cooperation, in association with the European Investment Bank, between the national financial institutions providing funds for industrial development including marketing;



6. Invites the Commission to encourage the work already undertaken at the meeting in Rotterdam in April 1973, to increase and intensify, on a Community basis, cooperation between the various national research institutions and associations which already exist in Member States;
7. Expresses the opinion that an effective common policy on technology cannot be established while there still exist legal, economic and fiscal obstacles which impede the free circulation of products and impede cooperation between, or merging of private and public enterprises in the Member States; the Parliament welcomes in this regard the concrete proposals put forward by the Commission to eliminate these obstacles within a precise time limit;
8. For all these reasons, invites Member States to recognize the general responsibility of the Community in technology which the present Treaties permit only to a limited extent and, with this object in view, to have recourse to the provisions of Articles 235 of 236 of the Treaty of Rome;
9. Appeals to the Council to express its political will to create a single industrial base and to keep strictly to the date of 1 January 1974 in drawing up a programme of action, so that the necessary decisions may be taken by a qualified majority in conformity with the Treaties;
10. Instructs its President to transmit this Resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 1496/68 of 27 September 1968 on the definition of the customs territory of the Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 173/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 212/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposal, which prevents any possibility, under the Treaty of Accession, of discrimination against intra-Community trade by imports from third countries;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 92, 31. 10. 1973, p. 9.

#### RESOLUTION

on the recommendation adopted on 10 September 1973 in Istanbul by the Joint Committee of the Association with Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the recommendation adopted by the EEC/Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee at its XVIth Session held from 6 to 10 September 1973 in Istanbul (Doc. 181/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 210/73),

1. Notes the recommendation adopted by the EEC/Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee, which it approves and supports;
2. Welcomes the dynamism and constant progress of the Association, symbolized by the signing, on 30 June 1973 in Ankara, of the Supplementary Protocol, extending the Association to include Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom, and the Interim Agreement providing for the early entry into force of the commercial provisions of the Protocol;
3. Urges, together with the Joint Committee, that this Supplementary Protocol be speedily ratified and that the Interim Agreement come into force as soon as possible now that the Community is about to complete the requisite procedures to this end;
4. Is gratified by the rapid development of trade between Turkey and the Community in recent years;
5. Shares however the concern of its Turkish partners with regard to Turkey's worsening trade deficit *vis-à-vis* the Community;
6. Welcomes the recent steps taken by the Council with a view to reducing this deficit by encouraging the promotion of Turkish agricultural products in the markets of the Community;
7. Stresses however that the Association must not confine itself to merely granting reciprocal tariff concessions but must gradually clear the way for the Accession of Turkey to the European Communities through the progressive coordination and harmonization of the economic, commercial and social policies of the two parties concerned;
8. Urges, yet again, that despite guarantees of non-discrimination with regard to Turkish products given by the Council, Turkey should be included among the countries benefitting from the Community system of generalized preferences;
9. Requests moreover that, in view of the need to speed up the rate of industrialization in Turkey as the main means of solving problems of unemployment and raising the standard of living of its people, the Association Council apply in a flexible manner the provisions of the Supplementary Protocol concerning the protection of Turkish industry;
10. Hopes that with increasing numbers of Turks working in the Community the Association Council will take practical measures to facilitate the integration of these workers and their families into the economic, social, educational and trade-union structures of the host countries, by means of appropriate action with regard to:
  - improvement of occupational training;
  - greater participation in the trade union life of the host country;
  - equal social security rights;
  - reuniting families, and providing better educational facilities for their children;
11. Welcomes in this connection the opportunities for action which the implementation of the Additional Protocol now opens to the Association Council, and urges that steps being taken within the Community for the application of the provisions of Article 39 of the Additional Protocol with regard to social security measures on behalf of Turkish workers, should be completed before 31 December 1973;
12. Has noted with satisfaction, the assurances given by the representative of the Commission of the European Communities with regard to the opening of an Information Office of the European Communities by the end of 1973;
13. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its appropriate committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and, for information, to the Grand National Assembly of Turkey, the Parliaments of the Member States of the Community and the Turkish government.

## RESOLUTION

- on the communication from the Commission to the Council on the outcome of the negotiations with Turkey consequent on the enlargement of the Community,
- on the recommendation for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplementary Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey consequent on the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community,
- on the recommendation for a Council Decision concerning the opening of negotiations with Turkey on an Interim Agreement consequent on the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community

### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the results of the negotiations with Turkey following the enlargement of the Community,
- considering the recommendation for a Regulation on the conclusion of the Supplementary Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey consequent on the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community, signed at Ankara on 30 June 1973,
- having regard to the recommendation for a Council Decision on the opening of negotiations with Turkey on an interim agreement following the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community,
- having regard to the explanation given on 26 June 1973, at a meeting of the Committee on External Economic Relations, by the Chairman-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities, on this subject,
- conscious of the necessity of bringing commercial relations between Turkey and the three new Member States into line with those between Turkey and the original Members of the Community,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 218/73),

### *As regards principles*

1. Welcomes the signing of the Supplementary Protocol, which not only provides for the necessary practical measures to take account of the enlargement of the Community, but also marks a symbolic step forward in Turkey's relations with the rest of Europe, coming as it does in the year of the tenth anniversary of the Association Agreement and the fiftieth anniversary of the proclamation of the Turkish Republic;
2. Expresses its satisfaction at the spirit of cooperation between the parties which enabled reasonable compromises to be reached on those points where their interests conflicted;
3. Expresses its satisfaction also that the EEC/Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee was able to discuss the problems which emerged during the negotiations and to give expression to the points of view of all the countries concerned;

### *As regards particular provisions of the Supplementary Protocol*

4. Notes with approval the speedy action taken to review and, where necessary, add to the agricultural concessions granted to Turkey;
5. Considers that the arrangements for increased quotas for imports into the Community of cotton goods and refined petroleum products are satisfactory;
6. Further considers that, in view of the need to protect Turkey's infant industries, the provision for the possible reintroduction of quotas by the Association Council is justified and is subject to adequate safeguards;

7. Notes that the problem of adapting the consolidated liberalization list has been solved by a compromise acceptable to both sides, and that Turkey has undertaken to pay special attention to the interests of the new Member States when amendments are made to the list;

*As regards generalized preferences*

8. Regrets, however, that Turkey is still not numbered among those countries receiving generalized preferences from the Community, in spite of repeated recommendations from the Parliament to this effect;

9. Instructs its Chairman to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and to the Turkish Government.

**RESOLUTION**

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for fresh or dried hazelnuts, shelled or not, falling within subheading ex 08.05 G of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities (Doc. COM (73) 1799 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the EEC Treaty, by urgent procedure (Doc. 222/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 227/73) and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture,

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision on the introduction of a common system of rates to be charged for the use of transport infrastructures

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 39/71),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Opinions of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Committee on Finance and Budgets and the Committee on Energy, Research and Atomic Problems (Doc. 195/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 62, 22. 6. 1971, p. 15.

1. Points out that the system of payment for the use of transport infrastructures is one of the most important basic components of any modern transport policy, since the cost of building transport infrastructures forms a very large part of the total transport costs, since a rational price policy can only be developed if costs are correctly charged, and since competition between the different forms of transport can only produce the correct overall economic results on the basis of such a price policy;
2. Notes that a universally satisfactory system of payment for the use of transport infrastructures has not yet been found in any of the Member States and that efforts at Community level consequently serve not only the interests of harmonization but could also result in considerable progress being made in all countries towards a more rational transport policy;
3. Underlines the fact that the system of payment for the use of transport infrastructures involves sums running into thousands of millions of units of account and is therefore of great importance to the Community's entire economy and that a wrongly planned system in particular might lead to serious misdirection of economic resources;
4. Is aware that the system proposed by the Commission of the European Communities will necessitate substantial reorganization in most Member States;
5. Is convinced, however, that the cost and problems of reorganization would in the long run be more than outweighed by the advantages ensuing from the economically correct distribution of infrastructure costs;
6. Points out that an important feature of the Commission's proposal is that the same principles must be applied to all forms of transport; the system must therefore be designed in such a manner that its principles can subsequently be extended beyond railways, inland waterways and road traffic to cover other forms of transport as well;
7. Considers that the Decision must be formulated in such a way as to draw a clear distinction between the two equivalent objectives of the system, namely to provide identical conditions of competition for the different forms of transport and to charge all infrastructure costs to the users, thus contributing towards correct overall economic control of the total transport proceeds;
8. Advocates the simultaneous complementary application of the 'Principle of overall economic marginal costs' and the 'Principle of budgetary balance' to every independently operated transport network;
9. Requests that the European Parliament be consulted on the Commission's proposals on the rules for fixing the overall economic marginal costs and compensatory payments, since these are of decisive importance for the fairness and workability of the entire system;
10. Considers that while the system, is being introduced compensatory payments must be made to the railways because of incomplete payment for the use of infrastructures in other forms of transport, these payments to be offset against the subsidies paid to the railways and discontinued after final introduction of the system;
11. Considers that the possibility of introducing vehicle taxes in inland waterway navigation should not be excluded from the outset, but should be kept open;
12. Considers that the system should be introduced simultaneously in road transport and inland waterways namely fifteen years after the Decision enters into force;
13. Approves the Commission's proposal subject to the following amendments;
14. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
15. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation supplementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 543/69 of 25 March 1969 on the harmonization of certain social legislation relating to road transport

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 846/fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 75 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 132/72),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 197/73),
1. Regrets that Regulation (EEC) No 543/69 is not applied in full by some Member States and that the provisions needed to implement it are still lacking in one Member State;
  2. Strongly urges the Commission to ensure that the provisions of this Regulation are observed;
  3. Considers that the supplementary proposals submitted are important for road safety and that they should apply to all vehicle drivers, i.e. both wage-earning and self-employed drivers;
  4. Recognizes an improvement in the maximum duration of shift periods by comparison with the terms of Regulation (EEC) No 543/69 and approves these periods, noting that the Commission intends to shorten them within the next five years;
  5. Feels that a certain extension of the shift period is justified if the vehicle is equipped with a bunk enabling each of the drivers to rest in turn. This extension of the shift period encourages the manning of vehicles with two drivers, which is in the interests of road safety;
  6. Approves the banning of all bonuses which encourage carelessness and non-observance of driving time Regulations and speed limits;
  7. Strongly urges that the two reports proposed on developments in the fields covered by the Regulation and on its implementation by the Member States should be submitted every two years;
  8. Considers that these two reports should be submitted not only to the Council but also to the European Parliament;
  9. Recommends that the Commission should submit proposals for the approximation of regulations governing work periods and overtime, since these matters have not yet been settled;
  10. Requests the Commission to take prompt action to close the gap left by the failure to harmonize social legislation relating to transport by rail and inland waterway, which also comes under the general Decision of 1965;
  11. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
  12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of Member States' laws on the interior fittings of motor vehicles (strength of seats and their anchorages)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 682 fin), (1)
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 113/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport (Doc. 194/73),
1. Welcomes the fact that account was taken of the work of the Geneva-based UN Economic Commission for Europe in the interests of even more far-reaching harmonization;
  2. Believes that the proposed Directive should replace existing national regulations;
  3. Requests the Commission to issue, as soon as possible, an equivalent EEC type approval for motor vehicles with a maximum speed of less than 25 km/h, agricultural tractors and machinery, and also public works vehicles since, as part of road traffic, such vehicles bear just as much responsibility and are just as much exposed to danger as other vehicles, and calls upon the Commission to submit proposals for directives covering these vehicles also;
  4. Cannot, in view of the priority which must be attached to safety, understand why folding (tip-up) seats, and side-facing or rearward-facing seats, and particularly seats with built-in seat belt anchorages should be excluded from the scope of the proposed Directive;
  5. Urges the Commission of the European Communities to propose as a matter of urgency specific draft Directives for children's car seats;
  6. Again points out the lack of flexibility of the committee proposed in Article 13 of the Council Directive of 6 February 1970 on 'the type approval of motor vehicles and their trailers', which is also referred to in the present proposal for a Directive;
  7. Insists that the national Governments should inform the Commission of all laws, regulations or administrative provisions (Article 6 (2));
  8. Requests the Commission, on the basis that its individual proposals for directives, on the interior safety of motor vehicles are designed to cover different aspects of a single problem, to submit before the end of 1974 a general report on activities in this field;
  9. With the above reservations, approves in principle the Commission's proposal, but nevertheless requests the Commission to make the following amendments to this proposal, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
  10. Requests its appropriate committee to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities adopts the European Parliament's amendments to its proposal and, if necessary, to report on this matter;
  11. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the Social Action Programme submitted by the Commission of the European Communities to the Council

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Social Action Programme submitted by the Commission to the Council, (COM (73) 1600 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 216/73),
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and the Opinion of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 256/73),

1. Welcomes the new commitment to social action stemming from the Paris Summit Conference at which the Heads of State or Government emphasized their solemn intention to attach 'as much importance to vigorous action in the social field as to the achievement of the economic and monetary union' and therefore invited the Community institutions to draw up, before 1 January 1974, a 'programme of action providing for concrete measures and the corresponding resources, particularly in the framework of the European Social Fund';
2. Notes that the Commission of the European Communities has presented a programme and, provided that its observations and amendments are taken into account, expresses its agreement in principle with this programme though considering that it represents only a first step towards providing a remedy to the serious social disequilibria in the Community and therefore endowing the Community with a truly social and human dimension;
3. Finds that, compared with the first document submitted by the Commission, i.e. the 'Guidelines for a social action programme', the final proposals contained in the Programme are, particularly as regards the financial resources to be provided, less in accord with the letter and spirit of the undertakings of the Paris Summit;
4. Regrets that, owing to the failure to arrange the envisaged tripartite conference, there was only fragmentary consultation with the social partners and hopes that the conference will be held as soon as possible;
5. Believes that the social programme has provided a useful opportunity for discussion at the European level, drawing public attention to the social aspect of Community construction;

*Content and aims of the programme*

6. Fully supports the Commission's argument that the objectives should be: full and better employment; improvement of living and working conditions within the framework of upward harmonization; greater participation of both sides of industry in the economic and social decisions of the Community;
7. Considers that a more equitable distribution of income and wealth and the recognition of workers' right to participate in decisions of the firm should also be regarded as objectives of Community social policy;
8. Invites the Council, in view of the inadequate powers conferred by the Treaties for action in the field of social policy, to provide also for the possibility of resorting to Article 235 of the Treaty in order to achieve the social objectives contained in the programme;
9. Believes that certain specific objectives are most effectively reached through direct financial intervention by the Community, in particular in the framework of the ESF;



10. Considers that the Community's social objectives can only be realised if other Community policies, for example, in the economic and monetary, regional, industrial, economic, competition and environmental protection fields are simultaneously implemented; such policies are, in fact, crucial in the struggle against inflation, resolving the problems of congested areas and achieving a more equitable distribution of income and wealth;

11. Emphasizes that it is in the interest of the Communities' Institutions to recommend the ratification of the European Social Charter and to promote its application as an effective contribution to the implementation of the social action programme of the Communities;

*Priority actions and other measures*

12. Approves without reservation the proposed action in aid of migrant workers and considers that, in this sector, it is of vital importance to coordinate the immigration policies applied by the Member States to immigration from third countries and to fight against forced emigration by means of regional policy and other Community instruments, which should attack the underlying causes of disequilibrium between rich and poor countries and regions;

13. Approves the proposal to extend the scope of Article 4 of the Council's decision of 1 February 1971 on the new European social fund to cover intervention in aid of migrant and handicapped workers and asks that the fund be endowed with sufficient financial resources for such an aim;

14. Urges the Commission also to propose action by the European Social Fund (Article 4) to help women over 35 years of age to re-enter the labour market, on the grounds that the current provisions of paragraph 2 c) of Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2396/71 on the application of the Council Decision concerning the new European Social Fund are inapplicable;

15. Notes with satisfaction that equal pay between men and women and equal treatment in the Community labour market figure among the priority actions and insists that these actions should lead to complete equality of treatment and an improvement in women's working and living conditions, in particular, enabling any woman to freely choose a profession and be guaranteed equal opportunities even if she has family responsibilities;

16. Requests that the harmonization of arrangements for maternity benefits, financed by the Member States, should feature amongst the actions given priority;

17. Approves the fact that the general introduction of a 40-hour week by 1975 and four weeks of paid holiday by 1976 has been immediately fixed as an objective but asks the Commission to clearly specify the instruments which Member States can use to achieve this aim;

18. In view of the fact that, apart from drawing up statistics, no action is at present envisaged to bring about a more equitable distribution of income and wealth, invites the Commission:

- to publish before 1 January 1975 a document on European incomes policy,
- to carry out a study of the effects on income distribution of the fiscal systems and social-security financing applying in the various Member States;
- to conduct a more vigorous policy of aid to the needy aged;
- to include among the actions on which the Council must give an opinion during 1974 to 1976 actions dealing with minimum wages and pensions, as regards the raising of the level of pensions and the fixing of retirement age at 60, and with asset formation;

19. Invites the Commission to take more vigorous action in the field of social security, so as to promote the effective achievement, throughout the Community and for all categories, including migrant workers, of harmonized improvements;

20. In the field of professional training, invites the Commission to propose that the Council immediately approves the actions proposed in its document on the achievement of a common policy <sup>(1)</sup> and is glad to note that the regional policy programme envisages Community aid for the organization of training centres in backward or declining regions;

21. Considers that it will only be possible to achieve the declared objective of full and better employment by investment guidance and by the achievement of close cooperation between the Regional Fund, the European Social Fund and the other instruments of intervention at the disposal of the Community and of the Member States so as to attain the best possible coordination of the Member States' and the Community's policies in this field;

22. Notes that the Commission's proposals for a regional policy programme envisage direct employment grants for the creation of new jobs in backward or declining regions and hopes that such intervention measures will be coordinated with national measures, always with the primary aim of attaining full and better employment;

23. Thinks that participation by both sides of industry should increase at all levels, in particular on the committees which draw up the various Community policies;

*Action concerning protection of the environment and safety at work*

24. Invites the Commission to communicate to the European Parliament as soon as possible the proposals on which the Council must take a Decision before 1 April 1974 concerning:

- (a) the setting-up of a General Industrial Safety Commission and the extension of the terms of reference of the Mines Safety and Health Commission,
- (b) the setting-up of a European Foundation for the Improvement of the Environment and Living and Working Conditions;

25. Welcomes the proposed setting-up of a European Foundation for the improvement of the environment and living and working conditions, but stresses once again that the Commission must draw up a practical working programme for this Foundation and, in particular, entrust it with the task of coordinating research and studies on the protection of the environment at Community level;

26. Calls upon the Commission to supplement the outline programme on industrial safety planned for the end of 1974 by practical proposals for binding regulations at Community level, to lay down binding minimum safety regulations and to extend this action programme to include the proposed statistical surveys on industrial accidents and safety (Action III/11);

27. Considers that the Commission should not confine itself to conducting investigations and experiments on job enrichment but should submit practical proposals in this field as soon as possible which are binding on all Community undertakings;

28. Supports the Commission's proposals regarding:

- (a) the setting-up of a European general industrial safety commission and the extension of the terms of reference of the Mines' Safety and Health Commission,
- (b) health protection against pollution and environmental hazards,
- (c) the extension of the programme for radiation protection;

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<sup>(1)</sup> See the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the first steps for implementing a common policy of professional training (Doc. 239/72) — (SEC (72) 3450 fin.).

*Implementation of the action programme*

29. Considers that it is essential for an adequate and increasing percentage of the Community's own resources to be set aside in the coming years for action in the social sector;
30. Invites the Commission to include in its annual report on the development of the social situation in the Community a progress report on implementation of the action envisaged in the social programme;
31. Urges the Council to approve the proposed social action programme before 31 December, taking into account the observations and amendments made by Parliament;
32. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 974/71 on the price level of agricultural products in Italy as a result of monetary developments**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 217/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 275/73),
1. Approves the proposed Regulation;
  2. Stresses once again that it is imperative to achieve economic and monetary union;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 105, 4. 12. 1973, p. 11.

## RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on mutual assistance between competent authorities of the Member States and between the latter and the Commission for ensuring the correct application of Community customs and agriculture regulations**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 235 of the Treaty (Doc. 65/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 265/73),
1. Notes that, pursuant to Articles 43 and 235 of the EEC Treaty and Regulation (EEC) No 279/70, the application of the rules of the common agricultural policy, the common customs tariff and the other Community customs provisions is to be improved by the creation of a system of mutual assistance between the authorities of the Member States responsible for customs and agricultural matters, in which the Commission's involvement will be confined to the provision of information in the context of a consultation procedure;
  2. Welcomes the fact that the Commission wishes to achieve a uniform judicial interpretation of Community law through a regulation and intends to ensure control of the proper application of the whole body of Community law at present in force;
  3. Criticizes the fact that, in view of the irregularities in agricultural trade, of which the public has long been aware, which constitute infringements of Community law and cause a loss of revenue to the Community budget, the Commission has not submitted appropriate proposals to the Council for adoption at a much earlier date;
  4. Views the proposal for a regulation as the minimum action necessary to prevent future fraud in Community agricultural trade; the Council should adopt it at the earliest possible date without toning it down;
  5. Requests the Commission to report to Parliament annually on experience of the application of this Regulation;
  6. Reserves the right, on the basis of such information, to ask the Commission to submit further, more stringent provisions;
  7. Approves the proposal for this Regulation under these conditions;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

(1) OJ No C 100, 22. 11. 1973, p. 30.

## RESOLUTION

**on the amendment to Rule 21 (1) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament relating to the minimum number of members required to introduce a motion of censure**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Article 24 of the ECSC Treaty, Article 144 of the EEC Treaty and Article 114 of the EAEC Treaty,
- having regard to its Rules of Procedure,

- having regard to the report by the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 278/73),
- having regard to the increasingly important tasks devolving upon it in anticipation of European Union,
- stressing the political consequences of passing a motion of censure,
- drawing attention to the stricter conditions laid down in the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament in respect of other steps which are not likely to have such far-reaching consequences for the Communities,
- and considering the high majority required to adopt a motion of censure,

1. Resolves to amend as follows Rule 21 (1) of its Rules of Procedure:

*'Article 21*

1. A motion of censure on the Commission may be handed to the President of Parliament by a political group of one-tenth of Parliament's current members.
  2. The motion shall be presented in writing, labelled 'motion of censure' and supported by reasons. It shall be printed and distributed in the official languages as soon as it is received, and be brought to the notice of the Commission.
  3. The President shall announce that a motion of censure has been tabled immediately he receives it, if Parliament is sitting, or else at the beginning of the next suitable sitting. The debate on the motion shall not be opened earlier than twenty-four hours after its receipt is announced. The vote shall not be taken on the motion until at least three clear days after such announcement. Voting shall be by open ballot by way of roll call.
  4. The motion of censure shall be adopted only if it secures a two-thirds majority of the votes cast representing a majority of the members of Parliament. The result of the vote shall be notified to the President of the Commission and the President of the Council.'
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

**RESOLUTION**

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the estimates of expenditure and revenue of the Budget of the European Communities for the financial years 1974, 1975 and 1976**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the financial estimates for 1974 to 1976 (COM (SEC) 3743/73/fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council of the European Communities on the estimates of expenditure and revenue of the Budget of the European Communities for the financial years 1974, 1975 and 1976 pursuant to its Decision of 21 April 1970 (Doc. 239/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 270/73),
1. Welcomes the fact that the document drawn up by the Commission is more detailed than that presented last year and that the Commission submitted it to Parliament during the part session on the budget;
  2. Declares, however, that the document is still inadequate as a whole, either because the Commission, in accordance with the Council Decision of 21 April 1970, has confined itself to submitting estimates showing the financial implications of regulations and decisions already in force, and of proposals it had already submitted formally to the Council; or because the Commission has merely given minimum estimates (agricultural prices) or estimates not based on properly substantiated figures (Regional Fund; Social Action Programme);

3. Considers that when it delivers an opinion on the annual budget it requires multi-year financial estimates enabling it to assess the impact of the package of Community programmes in terms of the Communities' financial autonomy;
4. Believes that this requirement will become even more urgent next year when the system of own resources is introduced and, in the exercise of the fiscal powers of the Communities, the Community institutions have to define not only an expenditure policy but also a revenue policy, which must be based on steady and carefully programmed rates of increase;
5. Requests the Commission of the Communities to bear these requirements in mind and to submit sufficiently detailed estimates for 1975 to 1977 next year; also requests it, therefore, to propose amendments to the relevant provisions of the Council Decision of 21 April 1970 if it considers them too restrictive;
6. Further requests the Commission of the Communities to submit to it next year, within the framework of the multi-year financial estimates for 1975 to 1977, estimates of expenditure which take particular account of any changes which occur in certain sectors of the economy as a result of the current economic situation;
7. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

- on the ECSC Auditor's report for the financial year 1971, and
- on the ECSC Auditor's report for the financial year 1972,

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the ECSC Auditor's report for the financial year 1971 (Doc. 148/72),
- having regard to the ECSC Auditor's report for the financial year 1972 (Doc. 180/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 209/73),

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*A. As regards the ECSC's financial and budgetary operations:*

1. Considers it essential to draw attention to:
  - (a) the importance it attaches to the supervision and checking of the financial operations of a Community (the ECSC) having independent fiscal powers and hence its own resources,
  - (b) the magnitude of these financial operations (comparable in value with those of the first years of the Common Agricultural Policy and those of Community development aid) which cover, according to the 1972 balance sheet, assets and liabilities each amounting to some 1 307 million units of account thus necessitating an audit on amounts in excess of 2 500 million units of account.
2. Considers it necessary to coordinate all the activities of the ECSC, at present spread over departments belonging to seven Directorates-General, and to provide a uniform impetus; accordingly invites the Commission of the European Communities to take all necessary measures in this respect;

3. Believes that the financial statement should also be adopted each year at the level of the Institution and that this should be done in time to allow it to be forwarded promptly to the external Auditor;
4. Is of the opinion that the criteria for the Community management of ECSC funds, which derive both from taxation and from the market, and which are intended for the purpose of public activities, and in accordance with the norms applicable thereto, should permit:
  - (a) the release, for Community aid policy purposes, of reserves in excess of requirements for adequate coverage of commitments,
  - (b) the establishment of a Commission borrowing and lending policy which could be directed more towards finding better conditions for supporting (loans) the industries concerned;
5. Therefore asks the Commission of the Communities to submit to it studies and proposals permitting its Committee on Budgets to propose, in full knowledge of the facts, new guidelines in these fields;
6. Is astonished that no decision has been taken on the renewal of the agreement on the value of the EMA unit of account, which expired on 1 January 1973 and is concerned about the problems which this situation might cause;

*B. More particularly as regards expenditure on technical and social research:*

7. Agrees with the Auditor that the accounting of data for the various research projects should be improved and that the beneficiaries of subsidies should also be subject to external auditing operations;
8. Therefore invites the Commission of the Communities to allow the Auditor to participate in on-the-spot visits and to take into consideration the suggestions concerning the details to be incorporated in the computer listings of subsidies granted;

*C. As regards the activities of the auditor:*

9. Expresses its satisfaction with the cooperation given to the Auditor by the departments responsible for the management of ECSC activities;
10. Welcomes the fact that the Auditor has paid particular attention to checking the substantiation, collection and recovery of the levy; notes with satisfaction that a detailed inspection has also been made on the basis of non-fiscal data (factors relating to coal and steel production); emphasizes that this method makes it possible to check the exact yield from the levy and sees this as a guarantee against possible frauds;
11. Asks the Auditor to make a special effort with regard to audits in the research field and to make particular reference to this in his report for the financial year 1973;

*D. As regards the main data for the financial year 1971:*

12. Notes that expenditure amounted to 102 636 728 units of account, the main items being as follows: loans and guarantees: 47 837 575 units of account; expenditure of a budgetary nature: 49 473 714 units of account including: readaptation: 15 362 244 units of account; research: 11 230 193 units of account; administrative expenditure: 18 000 000 units of account and other expenditure: 289 499 units of account;

E. As regards the main data for the financial year 1972:

13. Notes that the expenditure for this financial year amounted to 119 200 159 units of account, the main items being: loans and guarantees: 57 601 598 units of account; expenditure of a budgetary nature: 49 171 465 units of account; including: readaptation: 14 518 629 units of account; research: 11 638 790 units of account; administrative expenditure: 18 000 000 units of account and other expenditure: 1 808 792 units of account;
14. Notes, with the Auditor, that for the financial years 1971 and 1972, the ECSC balance sheet and revenue and expenditure account accord fully with the accounting documents forwarded to the Auditor;
15. In the light of the Auditor's findings, *approves* the ECSC accounts for the financial years 1971 and 1972;
16. Requests the Commission to take account of the remarks and suggestions made in parts A, B and C of this Resolution;
17. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its Committee on Budgets to the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the 'aide-mémoire' from the Commission of the European Communities on the fixing of the ECSC lines and operating budget for 1974

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Commission's memorandum (Doc. 244/73),
- pursuant to the joint meeting of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment, the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 269/73),

1. Wishes, as a matter of urgency, to stress the vital need for a common energy policy within which a broader solution to the problems raised by the ECSC operational budget could be found;
2. Particularly approves the Commission's proposal in the 1974 operational budget for a research programme; feels that such a programme is a major element of the policy proposed in the Paris Treaty and, therefore, that greater attention should be devoted to research in the coal and social sectors;
3. Takes careful note of:
  - (a) the need to assist the policies of price-restraint now in force in all Member States,
  - (b) the need to avoid sacrificing any of the social and research objectives of the ECSC operational budget for the financial year 1974 proposed by the Commission of the Communities,
  - (c) the importance of the planned programme of credit to assist industries in the coal and steel sector to make the structural transformations which technological progress requires, points out that the Commission's commitments reflect selective criteria which it does not altogether agree with;
4. Therefore believes that the most balanced solution at present would be to retain the levy rate of 0.29 % for 1974;



5. Since, in present, unlike past experience, the actual yield from the levy no longer tends to be slightly above the estimated yield, invites the Commission, in the exceptional cases where it is necessary, to draw on the reserves for the additional sums needed to carry out the programmes;
6. Requests that, before the end of the first half of next year, the Commission submit to Parliament a progress report on the budget so that it may duly check that the ECSC continues its task of redistribution even though the financial year as a whole is marked by a high degree of uncertainty;
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission of the European Communities and, for information, to the Council.

#### RESOLUTION

on aid to the Sahel countries affected by drought

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the declaration made by the Associated African States and Madagascar at the Association Council's meeting of 15 June 1973,
  - having regard to the joint declaration adopted by the Joint Committee of the EEC/AASM Association at its meeting of 28 June 1973 in Bruges,
  - having regard to the on-the-spot survey by its fact-finding mission which visited Mali and Upper Volta from 1 to 7 November 1973,
  - having regard to the estimates by the FAO and the Committee of Sahel States of the food required in 1974 as a result of the persistent drought,
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 271/73),
1. Hopes that by arousing public opinion and the attention of the authorities in many countries, the Sahel crisis will have engendered a lasting awareness of the need for solidarity between countries with food surpluses and those with food shortages;
  2. Notes that, though operating under very difficult circumstances, the African States, the Community, the Member States, third countries and non-governmental organizations have been able to cooperate effectively in aiding the Sahel countries afflicted by drought;
  3. Endorses the Associated States' expressions of gratitude for aid from the Member States of the Community both within the framework of the Yaoundé Convention and on a bilateral basis;
  4. Notes that, despite these efforts, the Sahel still faces hunger since, as a result of the movements in population, the seed shortage and generally inadequate rainfall, the gap between supply and demand may be even greater in 1974;
  5. Consequently demands that the Community and Member States take the necessary steps to put immediate measures into operation and initiate short, medium and long term measures to limit the consequences of the present crisis and prevent the recurrence of such catastrophes;

*Immediate action:*

6. Believes that the Community, in consultation with the six Sahel countries, should urgently adopt a new programme of food aid in cereals, powdered milk and butteroil, to ensure that rapid, regular deliveries are effected before the rainy season begins and that the people have the supplies necessary for survival;
7. Calls for the rapid preparation of a plan, in conjunction with the Member States, other donors and the Committee of Sahel States, for transporting these provisions by sea and road to the disaster areas so as to reduce the risk of another famine and prevent having to resort, at the last moment to urgent deliveries which greatly increase transport costs;
8. Insists that stockpiles be built up or completed at main centres by the regional development bodies with the minimum delay to ensure distribution as soon as a shortage appears and to avoid unnecessary fluctuations in food prices;

*Short, medium and long term action:*

9. Suggests that, with the participation of local authorities and subject to their agreement, the Community should:
  - encourage the financing and realisation of a major programme of small projects in the Sahel area,
  - speed up finance, within the framework of the EDF, for repairing damaged roads and tracks and building new ones to open up the Sahel region,
  - through the EDF help the areas concerned to derive greater benefit from the main water supply projects, particularly within the framework of the Niger office on the programme for harnessing the Voltas, so that more people may settle on the irrigable land and a food surplus be produced for the rest of the country;
10. Invites the Community and Member States to carry out research on the specific problems of the Sahel, particularly in the sectors of agronomy (focussing on varieties with a short cycle which resist drought), hydrogeology, climatology and the use of wind and solar energy . . . ;
11. Proposes that medical research and health action be particularly encouraged, so that onchocercosis, which thrives in the most productive areas of Upper Volta, Mali and Niger and ruins the population's health, may be wiped out;
12. Hopes that the Community will closely coordinate its research with that carried out by Member States, third countries, NASA, BDPA, and GERDAT <sup>(1)</sup>, etc. . . . ;
13. Urges the Council to adopt amendments Nos 28 and 32 to the draft budget for 1974 <sup>(2)</sup>, which provide additional appropriations for short, medium and long term action in the Sahel countries to prevent or alleviate effects of new catastrophes;
14. Reiterates the request made by the Joint Committee of the Association at its meeting in Lomé from 26 to 31 October 1973, for the immediate creation of a special emergency fund and a plan so that a whole array of effective actions may be brought into play when an emergency is declared;

<sup>(1)</sup> NASA = National Agency for Space Activities.

BDPA = Bureau pour le développement de la production agricole.

GERDAT = An association involving eight institutes of applied agronomic research.

<sup>(2)</sup> See Mr Pounder's report (Doc. 231/73).

15. Hopes that the richer states of Africa and the Middle East will give equal support to the effort to help the Sahel countries and urges the Commission and Council to use their influence to this end;

16. Hopes that the Community will take the necessary measures to set up, in cooperation with the appropriate international bodies and the FAO in particular, a world food plan not only to make up deficits foreseeable in the short term, but also, and above all, to re-establish food crop equilibrium and security of food supplies, in terms of both quantity and quality, in the countries whose structures are threatened;

17. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and, for information, to the Council of the EEC/AASM Association and the Director-General of FAO.

#### RESOLUTION

in view of the Conference of Heads of State or Government on 14 and 15 December 1973 in  
Copenhagen

*The European Parliament,*

On the eve of the Conference of Heads of State or Government on 14 and 15 December 1973:

- convinced that the present tensions in international relations, and their repercussions within the Community, make it even more essential to advance the deadlines for achieving European union,
- reaffirming the interdependence of economic and political integration,
- considering that the political identity of Community Europe should enable Europe to fulfil its world responsibilities and will facilitate more effective dialogue and cooperation with Europe's world partners and particularly with the United States of America,

*Considers:*

1. That the Community's increased responsibilities in regard to both internal matters and international developments call more and more for the establishment of a Community centre of policy decision making capable of assuming the functions of a true and proper European Government backed up by a Parliament to which election by direct universal suffrage must be provided for straightaway and the strengthening of whose powers of control and decision must be decided on immediately;

2. That occasional conferences of Heads of State or Government can provide desirable opportunities for stimulus, and that, in this context, they should make use of existing Community institutions and their valuable experience, particularly that of the Commission whose participation is essential in matters directly or indirectly concerning Community powers;

3. That the political determination expressed and the decisions taken by the Heads of State or Government on 19 and 20 October 1972 must be implemented in practical terms and that the Community must therefore assert its cohesion and adapt its institutional structure to the needs of its new dimension and the tasks devolving on it;

*Requests:*

4. That procedures be established and more effective and binding forms of common action agreed in the field of external policy and security, to enable the nine Member States to adopt a united position in response to international events and to enable Community Europe to develop its own identity, which is a necessary condition of greater world stability;

5. That all necessary commitments be undertaken to make up for lost time within the coming months in the achievement of Economic and Monetary Union and that the programmes of regional policy, social policy and industrial, scientific and technological policy be implemented without delay;
6. That there be implemented immediately and in full solidarity a common energy policy which, by adapting the existing Community structures to provide the essential coordination of information and programmes in the Member States and the Community, will ensure within the framework of international cooperation a better supply position in the medium and long term;
7. That a plan of coordinated action be drawn up by the Community for a united fight against inflation and its negative effects, with particular reference to the policy of full employment which the Community must pursue;
8. That urgent measures be decided on to reinforce Community structures both in regard to decision-making procedures and to places of work and the conditions under which the mandates entrusted to the individual institutions are exercised;

*Instructs:*

9. Its President to forward this Resolution to the Heads of State or Government of the Member States and to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the immediate measures needed to alleviate the energy supply crisis in the European Community

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to the need to take all appropriate measures likely to improve energy supplies, and concerned at the energy supply prospects for the European Community,

1. Regrets that the Council of Ministers responsible for energy policy did not meet as planned on 25 and 26 November 1973 to seek possible solutions to the present energy crisis in the European Community;
2. Notes that the present energy crisis cannot be overcome merely by implementing the proposals submitted to the Council and Parliament by the Commission and that the Commission has not yet submitted any proposals likely to be successful;
3. Believes the fair rationing of existing inadequate energy sources among the Member States and among consumers in a Member State to be a possible way of countering the shortage, but would consider it only as a last resort;
4. Considers that the energy crisis, and the manner in which Member States respond, has serious political implications for the future of the Community, and urges the Commission and Council of the European Communities to coordinate national measures with the objective of maintaining and strengthening solidarity between all Member States of the Community;
5. Believes that under the present circumstances measures of control are necessary which do not respect the rules of a free market economy and may contain statutory provisions designed to direct the individual sources of energy primarily to the sectors in which there are no possibilities of substitution;
6. Requests that, in taking the measures required to regulate the market, survival of independent undertakings in the energy sector be firmly safeguarded;

7. Calls for the presentation at an early date of an energy plan adapted to the new situation in order to give investors, at least in the medium-term, the essential safeguards for the necessary investments in the area of energy supply;
8. Feels obliged to propose to the Council and Commission measures which may help to alleviate the present energy crisis and accordingly considers the following action necessary, although this list is not exhaustive:
- (a) the capacity of refineries which have the appropriate facilities to convert heavy fuel oil into lighter products should be fully utilized,
  - (b) power stations, steelworks and other large plants which are able to burn solid fuels instead of hydrocarbons should use coal or coal products; when new facilities are authorized and licensed, the question of the most appropriate source of energy should be examined as should the possibility of granting aid or tax concessions,
  - (c) coal-fired power stations which are at present used almost exclusively to meet peak demand in the European Community should from now on be used to meet the medium or basic demand as well if the operating time of oil-fired power stations can be reduced in this way,
  - (d) the maximum values for sulphur emission from heavy fuel oil in power stations should be temporarily relaxed if the proportion of light products in the refineries can be increased in this way and if this measure seems desirable to safeguard energy supplies, at the same time, however, respecting the minimum requirements with regard to environmental hygiene,
  - (e) the extension or construction of plants which convert residual oils (heavy fuel oil) into light mineral oil products should begin at once; deficiency guarantees may be granted if necessary,
  - (f) the transport of bulk goods over long distances should as far as possible be transferred from the roads to the railways, if the necessary capacity is available,
  - (g) conveyance of passengers should be assured as far as possible by public transport,
  - (h) short-haul air traffic should be limited sufficiently for there to be no significant waiting time on take-off or landing at the airports,
  - (i) statutory measures must be taken to simplify and harmonize procedures for authorizing the construction and commissioning of all energy supply facilities,
  - (j) preparatory measures must be taken to increase coal output in the Community at an early date, with a view to making greater use of it as a source of energy through the application of new techniques,
  - (k) priority must be given to the maintenance of jobs whenever energy policy measures are taken,
  - (l) assistance must be given to the socially weak sections of the population to compensate for the disproportionate rise in fuel oil prices,
  - (m) the European Community must be given adequate power to coordinate all these measures in the Member States;
9. Reserves the right to make proposals at the appropriate time for medium and long-term action to safeguard energy supplies, in addition to these short-term measures;
10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the five proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council concerning work on economic and monetary union

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(73) 1950 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 245/73),
- having regard to the motion for a Resolution from the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 260/73),
  - (a) viewing with grave concern the threat of a setback to Community prosperity and economic activity in 1974 arising from cyclical economic and monetary trends in the world at large;
  - (b) recognizing the immediate danger to the Community's economic life from the reduction in supplies of oil from the Middle East;
  - (c) noting with alarm the instability of the prices of commodities;
  - (d) stressing once again that inflation remains a major economic and social evil afflicting the Community;
  - (e) insisting that Member States must accelerate the convergence of their economic and monetary systems and strengthen the Communities' solidarity as an urgent response to the present threats to stability, growth, full employment and external economic equilibrium;
- 1. Regrets that because of the late submission of the document it was notable to consider the five proposals in detail;
- 2. Refers therefore to its Resolutions of 5 July, 16 October, 19 October and 13 November 1973 <sup>(1)</sup>;
- 3. Looks to the Council to take decisions facilitating transition to a further phase of European economic and monetary union and requests it to consider the Commission's proposals in the light of the Resolutions mentioned in paragraph 2;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States.

- <sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 62, 31. 7. 1973, p. 31.  
OJ No C 95, 10. 11. 1973, p. 8.  
OJ No C 95, 10. 11. 1973, p. 27.  
OJ No C 108, 10. 12. 1973.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- a Regulation on the list of priority agricultural regions and areas referred to in the Regulation on finance from the Guidance Section of the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund for projects falling within development programmes in priority agricultural regions
- a Regulation on the list of regions and areas referred to in the Regulation establishing a European Regional Development Fund

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 205/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 106, 6. 12. 1973, pp. 23 and 26.

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Opinions of the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 276/73),

— having regard to its two recent Resolutions of 5 July 1973 <sup>(1)</sup> and 15 November 1973 <sup>(2)</sup>,

1. Recalls that the economic and monetary union cannot have a solid basis without a reduction in the most serious regional imbalances;
2. Recalls that the Fund should be an instrument of European cooperation, thus excluding the principle of a fair return;
3. Recalls that, pursuant to its Resolution of 15 November 1973 the list of regions and areas qualifying for support from the European Regional Development Fund should be established by the Council acting by a qualified majority;
4. Considers that the means available must, if they are to be effective, be concentrated on a limited number of regions whose development is a priority;
5. Considers that, by their very nature, the problems of developing the peripheral regions are the most urgent, substantial and complex;
6. Takes the view that the proposed list for interventions from the European Regional Development Fund is very general and that priorities must be established;
7. Believes that all the regions should be classified according to the relative seriousness of the imbalances found in relation to the Community average;
8. Considers that the regions and areas with the most serious imbalances and situated in Member States with the lowest relative intervention capacity should be assisted on a priority basis and should receive the bulk of the interventions from the Fund;
9. Considers that the proposed list for interventions from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund should also identify priority regions on the basis of the relative seriousness of the imbalances in relation to the Community average;
10. Invites the Commission to adopt the following amendments, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
11. Instructs its responsible committee to keep these problems under review and to report to it as necessary;
12. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 62, 31. 8. 1973, p. 33.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 108, 10. 12. 1973.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council concerning regulations for the application, for the year 1974, in favour of developing countries, of generalized tariff preferences

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 171/73 and Doc. 243/73),
  - recalling its Resolutions of 6 October 1970 <sup>(2)</sup> and 9 June 1971 <sup>(3)</sup>,
  - having regard to the final declaration of the Joint Committee of the EEC/AASM Association, issued at Lomé on 31 October 1973,
  - in view of the work of the UNCTAD special committee on preferences,
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the Opinions of the Committees on External Economic Relations and Agriculture (Doc. 272/73),
1. Points out that Protocol No 23 to the Treaty of Accession requires the new Member States to apply the Community system of generalized tariff preferences from 1 January 1974;
  2. Recalls that guidelines for improving the system of generalized preferences were given at the Conference of Heads of State or Government in October 1972;
  3. Regrets that there are no estimates on the basis of which to assess whether the new system of the nine Member States promises to constitute a genuine improvement, as far as developing countries are concerned, by comparison with the system of the Community of Six, of the United Kingdom, Denmark and Ireland, applied in 1973;
  4. Requests the Commission to give it the relevant figures as soon as possible, with a view also to ascertaining the effect of the proposed changes in the Community external tariff on revenue from the Community's own resources;
  5. Notes that the British system in respect of processed agricultural products is more liberal than the Community system currently in force, that Ireland grants no preferences in this field and that Denmark occupies a position somewhere in between;
  6. Draws attention to the importance of exports of processed agricultural products particularly for the least developed of the developing countries, and requests the Commission and the Council to investigate possible ways of extending additional advantages to this group of countries within the system of generalized preferences;
  7. Notes with satisfaction that the proposals for 1974 constitute a genuine improvement by comparison with the system currently applied by the Six, not only as regards the list of products, the increase in the margin of preference, the reduction in the list of products subject to Community tariff quotas, and the establishment of a reserve of these latter products, but also as regards the list of countries benefiting under the generalized tariff preferences;
  8. Requests however the Commission of the European Communities to undertake a fundamental review of the basis for determining the status of a developing country;
  9. Fully endorses the Commission's point of view that a Community reserve is needed, since the lack of such a reserve is incompatible with the concept of customs union and moreover results in insufficient utilization of the tariff quotas;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 100, 22. 11. 1973, p. 33 (COM (73) 1800 fin., and COM (73) 1801 fin.).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 129, 26. 10. 1970.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 66, 1. 7. 1971.



10. Feels that all countries associated with the Community should benefit from the system of generalized preferences if this system brings with it advantages for these countries which they do not already enjoy as a result of their association with the Community;
11. Urges the Commission to continue its efforts to improve the Community's offer by including other products which are important for the exports of developing countries and in respect of which the Community does not at the moment grant any preferences, and also by raising the margin of preference granted in respect of the other products, at the same time, however, giving thought in its deliberations to the interests of the AASM and Mauritius, which are among the least developed of the developing countries;
12. Notes that a large number of countries that are eligible for preferential treatment do not in actual fact benefit from it;
13. Therefore requests the Commission to draw up as soon as possible and in agreement with the other donor countries a uniform ruling on the question of origin, and until this is done to give technical aid in this field to developing countries interested in receiving it;
14. Is of the opinion that the European Community should state clearly during the forthcoming multilateral GATT negotiations its determination to achieve the abovementioned improvement in consultation and in cooperation with the other industrialized countries and the developing countries;
15. Draws attention once again to the fact that the Community formulated its offer on the assumption that all major industrialized countries belonging to the OECD grant similar preferences and for that purpose make similar sacrifices;
16. Expresses in this connection its dissatisfaction at the fact that a number of major industrial countries are still apparently unable to accept their responsibilities in this respect towards the developing countries, to the detriment not only of the developing countries but also of those industrialized countries which do grant preferences;
17. Deplores the fact that the European Parliament and the Associated African States were only consulted at such a late stage;
18. Would appreciate it if the Commission would investigate to what extent major multi-national enterprises benefit from the system of generalized preferences;
19. Approves the Commission's proposals subject to the above considerations;
20. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and, for their information, to the Secretary-General of the UNCTAD and the Secretary-General of the OECD.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1411/71 as regards the fat content of whole milk

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 1851 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 246/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 296/73),

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission to extend the arrangements currently in force until 31 May 1974;
2. Considers it necessary in the present circumstances to examine more closely the implications of the envisaged increase in the fat content of milk for retail prices, marketing and public health;
3. Believes that this can be done soon within the framework of consideration of the memorandum on the adjustment of the common agricultural policy on the basis of up-to-date information to be supplied by the Commission;
4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision concerning the participation of the European Economic Community in the negotiations for the conclusion of a convention for the prevention of sea-pollution from land-based sources**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1830 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 280/73),
  - having regard to the Report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 284/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal in principle and urges the Council to authorize the Commission without delay to participate in negotiations at the Paris Conference on the prevention of sea pollution;
  2. Insists that the Commission of the European Community must sign the Paris Convention on behalf of the Community to rule out any need for later accession by the Community;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its Committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive amending for the fifth time the Council Directive of 27 June 1967 concerning the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 169/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 92, 31. 10. 1973, p. 8.

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 214/73),

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities;
2. Requests the Commission, however, to carefully review the entire directive of 27 June 1967 with a view to improving it subsequently, particularly as regards the safety of users of these dangerous substances;
3. Invites the Commission to adopt the following amendments, pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty;
4. Invites its committee responsible to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities amends its proposal along the lines suggested by the European Parliament and to report to it on the matter as necessary;
5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cold-water meters

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 100/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 235/73),
1. Recalls that the programme to eliminate technical barriers resulting from differences in legislation and administrative regulations among the Member States was not carried out within the planned time limits;
  2. Regrets that this delay is in large measure attributable to the slowness of the Council's adoption procedure;
  3. Recalls that the final communiqué of the Heads of State or Government at the Paris Summit Conference in October 1972, in its section on industrial policy, stresses the need to eliminate technical barriers to trade within the Community as soon as possible in order to establish a single industrial base for the Community as a whole; therefore requests the Council finally to adopt the proposals for Directives on this question submitted to it by the Commission of the European Communities;
  4. Notes furthermore with regret that the Commission itself is not keeping to its programme relating to the elimination of technical barriers to trade; therefore requests it to speed up its work and if necessary increase the staff of the departments concerned;
  5. Shares the opinion of the Commission of the European Communities that its harmonization system, the so-called alternative system, is justified in view of the serious difficulties which would arise in implementing the total harmonization system at the present time;

(1) OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 47.

6. Nevertheless requests the Commission to take the steps required to have total harmonization introduced as rapidly as possible;
7. Approves the Commission's proposal;
8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to continuous totalizing weighing machines

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the Treaty (Doc. 101/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 236/73),
1. Recalls that the programme for eliminating technical barriers to trade resulting from the disparity between the laws and administrative provisions of the Member States has not been implemented within the specified time;
  2. Regrets that this delay is attributable in no small measure to the slow decision-making procedure in the Council;
  3. Recalls that the final communiqué of the Paris Summit Conference of the Heads of State or Government in October 1972 confirms in the section devoted to industrial policy, the need to eliminate technical barriers to intra-Community trade as soon as possible, in order to establish an identical institutional base for the Community as a whole; urges the Council, therefore, finally to act on the proposals for Directives on this matter presented by the Commission of the European Communities;
  4. Notes with regret that the Commission has also failed to adhere to its timetable for eliminating technical barriers to trade and therefore urges it to accelerate its work and, if necessary, to allocate additional staff to the departments concerned;
  5. Agrees with the Commission of the European Communities that the harmonization method it has chosen, namely the 'alternative' solution is appropriate in view of the serious problems which total harmonization would raise;
  6. Nevertheless urges the Commission to prepare the way for total harmonization as soon as possible;
  7. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 54.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on common measures with regard to pressure vessels and methods of controlling them
- a Directive on the approximation of Member States' legislation on seamless steel gas cylinders

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council, (COM (72) 1689 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 293/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 221/73),
1. Welcomes the Commission's proposal to harmonize the divergent national provisions and requirements by establishing a legislative framework;
  2. Shares the Legal Affairs Committee's incomprehension that the 'optional solution' still allows the application of national regulations which technical advances have made almost entirely obsolete;
  3. Expresses doubt as to the viability of the inspection authorities referred to in Article 13;
  4. Considers that the Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to seamless steel gas cylinders merely lays down implementing regulations;
  5. Approves the Commission's proposals in principle as a transitional solution, but insists that, within a reasonable time, it should submit a new proposal for a Directive aiming at complete harmonization;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision extending the system of minimum prices

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities (Doc. COM (73) 1859 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 249/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 273/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the opening, allocation and administration of a Community tariff quota for frozen beef falling within subheading 02.01 A II a) 2 of the Common Customs Tariff (1974)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 1780 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 238/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 257/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive modifying the Directive of 9 April 1968 concerning the marketing of vegetative propagation material of the vine

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 111/73-II),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 248/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 84.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the granting of special aid for certain tobaccos used for wrapping cigars

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 100/71),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 258/73),

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 75, 26. 7. 1971, p. 70.

1. Notes that the supplementary information collected and forwarded by the Commission of the European Communities or obtained directly by the Committee on Agriculture now makes most of the reservations expressed in the previous report against adoption of the proposal for a Regulation groundless;
2. Recognizes that the production of outer wrapper leaf tobacco in the Community has not only required heavy investments financed by associated producers, but also represents in those regions in which it is carried out an indispensable element of general economic development and is an essential source of employment for male and female labour which it would be difficult to replace;
3. Emphasizes moreover that the introduction of this type of production in the regions concerned is an interesting example of agricultural adaptation;
4. Is therefore of the opinion that the proposed special aid may be granted, considering that for the producers it constitutes a compensation for losses suffered as a result of the gap between the dates of entry into force of the system of exemption from customs duties on outer wrapper leaf tobacco imported from the AASM and the common organization of the market in unmanufactured tobacco;
5. Insists that the premium should only be allocated for quantities marketed by associated producers and manufacturers at non-profit-making prices;
6. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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#### RESOLUTION

**embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on customs treatment to be applied to certain fishery products originating in Norway**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 240/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 291/73) and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture,

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 110, 13. 12. 1973, p. 51.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for Port wines falling within subheading ex. 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal
- II. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Madeira wines falling within subheading ex. 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal
- III. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Setubal muscatel wines falling within subheading ex. 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 223/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 287/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposals;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 106, 6. 12. 1973, p. 34.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation increasing the Community tariff quota for certain eels falling within subheading ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 174/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 289/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 92, 31. 10. 1973, p. 42.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for certain eels falling within subheading No ex 03.01 A II of the Common Customs Tariff

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 204/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 290/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;

2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 99, 20. 11. 1973, p. 8.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the opening, allocation and administration of a Community tariff quota for dried grapes falling within subheading 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff, in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 224/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 288/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;

2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 106, 6. 12. 1973, p. 31.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on:

- I. a Council Regulation on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters amending Article 5 of Annex I to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco
- II. a Council Regulation on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters amending Article 5 of Annex I to the Agreement establishing an Association between the European Economic Community and the Tunisian Republic

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Council Regulations on the conclusion of Agreements in the form of exchanges of letters with Morocco and Tunisia, amending Article 5 of Annex I to the Association Agreements with these countries signed in Brussels on 20 July 1973 (S/821/73 (MA 20) and S/848/73 (TU 22)),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 238 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 145/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 254/73),
1. Approves the Council Regulations amending Article 5 of Annex I to the EEC/Morocco and EEC/Tunisia Association Agreements;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Regulation on imports of olive oil from Morocco
- II. a Regulation on imports of olive oil from Tunisia

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 87 fin.) and (COM (73) 121 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 146/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 225/73),
1. Approves the two Commission's proposals;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation temporarily and partially suspending the autonomous duties in the Common Customs Tariff on bitter or Seville oranges of subheading ex 08.02 A II a) and b) and saffron, neither crushed nor ground, of subheading 09.10 C I

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 1856 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 250/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 279/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concerning the rate of import charges collected on (small non-commercial consignments of) agricultural products and products coming under Regulation (EEC) No 1059/69

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1900 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, (Doc. 253/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 285/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on a Council Regulation on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters amending Article 7 of Annex VI to the Additional Protocol to the Agreement establishing an Association between the EEC and Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Council Regulation on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters with Turkey amending Article 7 of Annex VI to the Association Agreements with that country,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 238 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 274/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 292/73),
1. Approves the Council Regulation amending Article 7 of Annex VI to the Additional Protocol to the EEC/Turkey Association Agreement;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on imports of olive oil from Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1270 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 274/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 293/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on a proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the total or partial suspension of Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural products originating in Turkey

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 1971 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 267/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 294/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the extension of the period of application of Regulation (EEC) No 1253/73 in imports of the wine product exported under the label of 'Cyprus Sherry', originating in and coming from Cyprus and the introduction of subsidies for similar wine products produced in the Community as originally constituted and exported to Ireland and the United Kingdom

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 2032 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 282/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 295/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive relating to the approximation of legislations of the Member States concerning bread

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1657/fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 280/72),

— having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment and the Opinions of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 108/73),

1. Welcomes the Commission's proposed Directive, which aims at replacing the different legislations of the Member States on bread at present in force by Community provisions, using the optional harmonization method;
2. Endorses the optional method in the present instance, since it will allow the Community's population to retain its existing eating habits whilst at the same time substantially extending the variety of bread offered to consumers;
3. Notes with satisfaction that the proposed Directive contains fairly strict provisions concerning additives and also requirements relating to weights and labelling that ensure transparency of the market and a well-informed consumer public;
4. Agrees expressly that good hygiene considerations make it desirable for the packaging of bread to be made compulsory in certain cases;
5. Considers it essential that provisions should be made for the weight to be stated also in the case of individual loaves weighing 250 grammes in order to enable the consumer to distinguish clearly between weights of 200 grammes and 250 grammes where the difference in weight is relatively small;
6. Insists again that manufacturers should be obliged to give the details that must appear on the individual packages for the information of the consumer at least in the language of the importing country;
7. Strongly urges the Commission to fix the methods for sampling and weight-checking and the analytical methods for monitoring the composition and manufacturing characteristics of bread not later than on the date on which this Directive comes into force;
8. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments into its proposal, pursuant to Article 149, paragraph 2, of the EEC Treaty;
9. Requests its appropriate committee to observe carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities modifies its proposal in line with the amendments submitted by the European Parliament, and to inform the latter if the need arises;
10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the second report from the Commission of the European Communities on competition policy and on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities on the implementation of the principles of coordination of regional aid in 1972

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the second report from the Commission of the European Communities on competition policy (Doc. 148/73), and the communication from the Commission of the European Communities on the implementation of the principles of coordination of regional aid in 1972 (Doc. 122/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Opinions of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology, the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 264/73),

1. Recognizes that in its second report on competition policy the Commission has met a number of wishes expressed by the European Parliament;
2. Supports the Commission's efforts to acquire powers in respect of industrial concentrations comparable with its powers on restrictive agreements;
3. Urges the Commission to submit proposals in the near future defining more clearly the scope of the Community's competition rules and those of the Member States respectively, pursuant to Article 87 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
4. Requests the Commission to consider the possibility of harmonizing national provisions on unfair competition;
5. Considers it desirable to establish a European Office for Competition Policy, which would receive political guidance from the Commission, but which would otherwise act independently in carrying out investigations and taking decisions;
6. Draws attention to the fact that recent rulings of the Court of Justice of the European Communities make it all the more essential for the Commission to decide promptly on notified agreements, clarify as soon as possible its policy on licensing and know-how agreements and turn its attention to restrictive practices in the research sector;
7. Expects the Commission to remain vigilant in the future in combating agreements designed to prevent the re-exporting of products;
8. Considers that decisions on investments are primarily business risks and should remain so, but that it may be useful for the Commission to arrange market analyses and compile supply and demand forecasts for specific sectors;
9. Awaits the early replacement of existing regional aid regulations by a regulation under which the scale of aid would be geared to the economic and social backwardness of a given region;
10. Finds that the chapter on public undertakings contains no guidelines, and reiterates its request to the Commission to draw up directives and decisions designed to remove distortion of competition between public and private undertakings;
11. Reaffirms <sup>(1)</sup> the need to amplify the Community's rules on competition by an international agreement on regulations governing competition to ensure that multinational undertakings operate under uniform conditions of competition;
12. Urges that Commission to consult the recently created Consultative Committee on Consumer Protection at an early stage when drawing up proposals directly affecting consumer interests;
13. Urges the Commission to collaborate in the wide dissemination of the results of comparative product tests and to promote joint studies by consumer associations in the individual Member States;
14. Requests the Commission to study the possibility of drawing up a Community regulation on misleading advertising and aggressive selling methods;
15. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 14, 27. 3. 1973, p. 9.

## RESOLUTION

on the outcome of the Conference of Heads of State or Government held in Copenhagen on 14 and 15 December 1973 and on measures taken as a result

*The European Parliament,*

### I

1. Expresses its satisfaction with the decision to expedite the achievement of European union and requests the Community institutions to work together to make precise proposals in this matter as soon as possible;
2. Is gratified to take note of the principles of European identity solemnly affirmed by the Heads of State or Government, but insists that they should rapidly be made tangible by more efficient and compelling procedures for common action, particularly in the fields of foreign policy and defence;
3. Appreciates the fact that a common energy policy, with a precise timetable, has finally been envisaged, but expects all the Member States resolutely to undertake to coordinate their actions in complete solidarity within a Community framework;
4. Stresses that the Heads of State or Government have confirmed a common position regarding the situation in the Middle East, reaffirming the resolve of Europe as a community to contribute to a just and lasting peace in that part of the world;

### II

5. Is deeply concerned by the prospect of worsening economic and social conditions, particularly in the field of employment, and calls for Community action to bring together in a tripartite conference the Commission of the European Communities, the Governments of the Member States and the social partners to discuss what is necessary to overcome the difficulties;
6. Regrets that the extremely important and pressing questions of the strengthening of the European Parliament's powers and the improved functioning of the Community institutions were only dealt with in a declaration of intent, and stresses that immediate measures are required to halt the deterioration of Community procedures;
7. Reaffirms, in this respect, that Conferences of Heads of State or Government of the Member States cannot take the place of the Community institutions, nor displace their responsibilities;
8. Stresses that henceforth it falls to the State filling the office of President of the Council of the European Communities to convene 'presidential meetings' when these are considered desirable. This procedure should make it possible, when exceptional circumstances demand:
  - (a) to provide the policy suggestions necessary for the continued stimulation and development of the Community;
  - (b) to produce lines of action likely to resolve major problems on the basis of thorough preparation by the relevant Community bodies;
9. Urges the Community institutions to render tangible the decisions and undertakings of the Heads of State or Government, particularly as regards energy policy, economic and monetary union and the achievement — as from 1 January 1974 — of the Community regional policy;
10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Heads of State or Government of the Member States and to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation relating to the supply as food aid of skimmed-milk powder

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (COM (73) 2078 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council on 2 January 1974 (Doc. 312/73),
  - having regard to the Resolution of 20 September 1973 <sup>(1)</sup> following the report by its Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 163/73),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 315/73),
1. Approves the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities;
  2. Instructs its responsible committees to keep under review the problems relating to all aspects of Community food aid policy and to report to it at an appropriate time;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 83, 11. 10. 1973, p. 37.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Directive concerning the content, supervision and distribution of the prospectus to be published when securities issued by companies or firms within the meaning of the second paragraph of Article 58 of the Treaty are officially quoted on a stock exchange for the first time
- II. a recommendation concerning the content of the prospectus to be published when securities issued by States or their regional or local authorities are officially quoted on a stock exchange for the first time

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 54 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 186/72),
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Opinion of the Economic Affairs Committee (Doc. 186/73),
  - emphasizing the urgent necessity to remove the barriers preventing free movement of savings for investment throughout the Community, but recognizing that the advantage of Stock Exchange quotation must involve the most scrupulous observance of the best practice in the presentation of company data,
1. Welcomes the submission of this proposed Directive which is designed to ensure that in all Member States of the Community the fullest and most objective information is made available on the economic and financial position of the issuing company and the nature of the securities issued, before they are officially quoted on a stock exchange in the territory of a Member State;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 131, 13. 12. 1972, p. 61.

2. Insists, however, that the Commission draw up — within a time limit to be notified to Parliament — a Directive concerning prospectuses to be published for securities issued by public investment companies and 'open' investment trusts which are not covered by this Directive;
3. Signifies its agreement to the proposal for a Council recommendation making the initial quotation on a stock exchange of securities issued by States or their regional or local authorities conditional on the publication of a prospectus providing satisfactory information for investors in these securities;
4. Notes the reasons which prompted the Commission to propose that the issuer of securities should be required to provide information at the time of official quotation on a Stock Exchange and not at the time of issue;
5. Is convinced that the experience that will be gained in the provision of information for the public at the initial quotation stage will prepare the way for the implementation of the proposed directive on information at the issuing stage;
6. Invites the Commission to establish and comply with a timetable, to be notified to Parliament, for action required to coordinate the other provisions governing initial quotation on a Stock Exchange;
7. Welcomes the fact that the proposed Directive allows the issuer to make the necessary adjustments, subject to approval by the supervising authorities, to certain headings of the prospectus when these do not apply to its activities, a situation covered by Article 3 (3);
8. Also considers it desirable to allow the issuer to ask the supervising authorities to exempt him from the requirement to publish in the prospectus certain information appearing in the outline plans in the special circumstances set out in Article 5 (1) and (2);
9. Draws the Commission's attention to the possible advantage of preparing special outline plans for prospectuses on securities issued by financial institutions;
10. Is of the opinion that the selection, pursuant to Article 6 (3), of the financial institutions required to have modified outline plans for prospectuses should be made at Community level;
11. Considers that the rules on the content of the prospectus are justified in the special cases set out in Articles 7 to 12;
12. Notes the advantage there would be in specifying the form to be taken by the information required by Article 9 (3) on the effects of any changes in parity rates when the convertible bond is issued in a currency different from that in which the shares are to be issued;
13. Considers that the definition in Article 10 (1) of the information requirements in the case of applications for an official quotation of securities issued on the occasion of a merger should be aligned with similar provisions in the proposed third Directive on mergers of joint-stock companies;
14. Is of the opinion, on examining heading 13 of Outline Plans A and B, that information not contained in annual accounts and reports should be subject to control in the same way as the annual accounts so that the responsible authorities have available to them comprehensive and duly certified accounting and financial documentation enabling them to carry out their control task in a fully satisfactory manner;
15. Agrees with the rules in Article 13 to 17 on the procedures and timetables for issuing the prospectus and on the publication of documents other than the prospectus, and with the requirement that the prospectus should be supplemented if important new factors should arise; it considers these rules fully adequate for the purposes of the Directive

16. Approves for the same reason the procedures set out in Article 18 for cooperation between Member States in operations concerning more than one of them;
17. Points out, however, that although satisfactory in the context of this Directive, these arrangements do not alter the need to coordinate, in a future Directive, all the conditions governing official quotation on a Stock Exchange for the first time, so that once securities meet the conditions for official quotation on a Stock Exchange in one Member State they cannot be prevented by any other legal requirement from being quoted on a Stock Exchange in the territory of another Member State;
18. Points out that the adoption of a Directive on these lines is an essential condition for the attainment of a common capital market of a similar nature to a national market;
19. Approves the setting up of a Liaison Group pursuant to Article 19;
20. Again draws attention to the fact that the requirement for Member States to notify the Commission of the text of provisions of national law that they adopt in a sphere governed by a Directive cannot be limited to essential provisions, since the use of the word 'essential' can lend itself to subjective and incorrect interpretations;
21. Consequently proposes that the term 'essential' should be deleted from Article 20 (2);
22. Approves in general the outline plans annexed to the proposed Directive, subject to the amendments proposed below;
23. Invites the Commission to endorse the following amendments in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 149 of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
24. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and to the Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the tenth report of the Mines Safety and Health Commission and on the fourth report of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the tenth report of the Mines Safety and Health Commission and the fourth report of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission,
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 247/73),
1. Notes with satisfaction that both the Commission of the European Communities and the two safety and health commissions have complied with some of the requests made in its Resolutions on the previous annual reports of these commissions;
  2. Is disappointed, however, that the Commission:
    - (a) has still not made the long overdue increase in the secretarial staff of the Mines Safety and Health Commission,
    - (b) has not yet increased the secretarial staff of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission, even though it itself considers this essential;

3. Regrets that the Commission does not endorse the arguments it has repeatedly put forward in regard to staffing, and therefore renews its urgent appeal to the Commission to take the necessary measures in this sphere;
4. Is concerned both about the increasing frequency of serious accidents in mining and about the unfavourable trend in iron and steel industry accident rates;
5. Regrets that in absolute figures by far the greatest number of fatal accidents occur in the independent auxilliary and subsidiary industries and therefore urges the Commission to take appropriate measures to curtail this unfortunate trend;
6. Regrets that the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission was again unable to obtain the necessary statistics for 1972, and therefore calls upon the European Commission to prevail upon the authorities concerned to provide complete statistical data in future;
7. Welcomes the fact that the two commissions have complied with its previous request inasmuch as they have drawn certain conclusions in their reports on the basis of statistics and surveys;
8. Would like the two commissions to try and include in their future reports more detailed information on developments in the training of new and, in particular foreign employees;
9. Urges the Commission to encourage the recruitment of safety officers from the ranks of migrant workers, recruitment in industries employing large numbers of migrant workers, as this method has already proved very satisfactory;
10. Regrets that neither commission has looked into the effects of different wage systems and working times on safety and health in the sectors concerned, and therefore reiterates its request that these investigations should now begin immediately;
11. Notes with regret that the frequently repeated request for a Decision on the recognition of pulmonary emphysema as an industrial disease has still not been met, and therefore insists that the Commission should prevail upon the Council and the Member States to see that the steps necessary for the solution of this problem are taken without delay;
12. Reiterates its request that the activities of the Mines Safety and Health Commission and the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission be extended to other mining industries and other branches of industry, priority being given to sectors connected with the iron and steel industry and mining;
13. Regrets that the two commissions have not yet been able, partly through shortage of staff, to start important new work on health conditions at the place of work and the state of health of employees, or to supply information in this area, which could have been done with the aid of the working parties appointed for this purpose;
14. Welcomes the fact that the two commissions are compiling comparable statistics, and trusts that the difficulties experienced in practical evaluation will shortly be resolved;
15. Is also in favour of the two commissions examining possibilities of working together closely and — where expedient — coordinating their activities in certain specific areas;

*as regards the work of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission:*

16. Regrets that in 1972 only three of the eight existing working parties had held meetings;
17. Welcomes the fact that, on the initiative of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission, a film was made on the ten principles of accident prevention which could be of great benefit to the many people concerned;
18. Welcomes the increasing distribution of the documents produced by the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission;
19. Notes with regret that, contrary to the wish of the European Parliament, the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission has not dealt with the problems of air pollution by the iron and steel industry or with industrial noise, and again requests that this commission should try to find a satisfactory solution to the problems involved;

*as regards the work of the Mines Safety and Health Commission:*

20. Welcomes the fact that the Mines Safety and Health Commission has discussed the question of widening its terms of reference and has stated its readiness to extend certain areas of activity-by stages, and therefore urges that the European Commission take the necessary steps without delay;
21. Notes with regret that the Mines Safety and Health Commission has still not prepared a comparative survey of the regulations and directives on accident prevention applied and in force in the Community, as a basis for common rules;
22. Again urges that a joint central body be set up to draw up outline provisions for making the latest information on safety and health immediately accessible to all mines in the Community, and regrets that the tenth report has nothing to say on this matter;
23. Repeats its request of last year for a report on the use of firedamp meters in all acceding countries;
24. Welcomes the participation by the Mines Safety and Health Commission in advertising and promotional campaigns by Member States on safety and health in mining and urges that material and financial support, which is at present inadequate, should be greatly increased in the years ahead;
25. Draws attention furthermore to its earlier Resolutions on the annual reports of the two commissions, which clearly express its concern to secure an effective safety and health policy;
26. Calls upon its appropriate committee to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities, the Mines Safety and Health Commission and the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission comply with the demands made in this resolution, and to report back to it where appropriate;
27. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities, and to the Ministers responsible for safety and health in mining and in the iron and steel industry in Member States.

## RESOLUTION

### on the further development of the economic and monetary union

*The European Parliament,*

1. Deplores the failure of the Council of Ministers to give full effect to the Resolutions of Parliament in regard to economic and monetary union and the establishment of a regional development fund; and asks the Council to implement them immediately;
2. Considers that the grave monetary situation, made critical by the rise in oil prices, makes even more necessary the closest convergence of Community economic policies;
3. Calls on the Council of Ministers to reconcile sectional and national positions and to respond to the overriding interests of Europe as a whole;
4. Insists that the Commission should fulfil its task to make proposals for Council Decisions in good time and to prepare for them in detail in order to give practical effect to Parliament's Resolutions;
5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation laying down, in respect of hops, the amount of the aid to producers for the 1972 harvest

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1826 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 324/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 325/73),
1. Approves in principle the Commission's proposal;
  2. Asks the Commission of the European Communities, however, to make the following amendment to its proposal, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the tariff treatment applicable to agricultural products contained in travellers' personal luggage

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to the provisions of Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 141/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 311/73),
1. Considers that the implementation of this proposal will have a favourable psychological impact on the peoples of the Community, since they will feel the effects directly;
  2. Is of the opinion, however, that the exemptions granted by the proposal in regard to intra-Community traffic fall far short of those already granted by the Council Directives of 28 May 1969 and 12 June 1972;
  3. Therefore, requests the Commission to apply an identical exemption in respect of the compensatory amounts and other taxes imposed, in intra-Community trade, on agricultural products in general and certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products contained in travellers' personal luggage (maximum value 125 units of account for adults and 30 units of account for children under fifteen);
  4. Invites the Commission to make the following amendments pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 100, 22. 11. 1973, p. 33.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for unmanufactured tobacco of the type 'flue-cured Virginia' originating in developing countries

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 286/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinions of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Development and Cooperation (Doc. 318/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal for a Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the accompanying explanatory statement to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 6, 22. 1. 1974, p. 12.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision on additional measures to be taken in agriculture following the revaluation of the German mark

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 304/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 320/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
2. Notes that in the past under similar circumstances in the monetary field compensatory measures of a different kind, importance and duration were taken; therefore urges the Commission to submit in the near future a proposal for the harmonization on the one hand of the existing divergent provisions and on the other of any measures which might unfortunately prove necessary in this field in the future;
3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 6, 22. 1. 1974, p. 18.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for two Regulations extending the period of application of Council Regulation (EEC) Nos 227/72 and 228/72 of 31 January 1972 on imports into the Community of certain fishery products originating in Tunisia and Morocco respectively

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC, and by urgent procedure (Doc. 281/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 309/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposals;
2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 114, 27. 12. 1973, pp. 71 and 72.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for dried figs, in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less, falling under subheading No ex 08.03 B of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain,
- II. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for dried grapes, in immediate containers of a net capacity of 15 kg or less, falling under subheading No ex 08.04 B I of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain,
- III. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for sherry wines falling under subheading No ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain,
- IV. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Malaga wines falling under subheading No ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain,
- V. a Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for Jumilla, Priorato, Rioja and Valdepeñas wines falling under subheading No ex 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 283/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 310/73),
1. Approves the proposals for Regulations from the Commission;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 114, 27. 12. 1973, p. 48.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 2511/69 laying down special measures for improving the production and marketing of Community citrus fruits

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 (2) of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 298/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 321/73),

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 6, 22. 1. 1974, p. 17.

1. Approves the proposal for a Regulation;
2. Requests, however, the Commission of the European Communities, in the spirit of its Resolution on the same subject of 19 January 1973 <sup>(2)</sup>, to report on the implementation of the present Regulation before the 1978 marketing year and if necessary to submit proposals for reform of the system;
3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.  
<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 4, 14. 2. 1973, p. 42.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation extending the period for transitional measures for agricultural products in the new Member States

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 2118 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 63 (2) of the Act of Accession of the new Member States (Doc. 317/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 322/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal,
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on a tenth amendment to the Council Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning the preservatives authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 300/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 319/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 116, 29. 12. 1973, p. 30.

1. Approves the proposal from the Commission, subject to the condition that the use of the additive thiabendazole does not present a danger to human health if the residual level per kilogram of fruit does not exceed 6 mg in the case of citrus fruits and 3 mg in the case of bananas;
2. Calls upon the Commission to consult qualified experts and to examine in detail the question of the technological necessity and the admissibility from the health point of view of an increase in the residual level of thiabendazole to 10 mg/kg in the case of citrus fruits;
3. States that, in view of the importance of this matter to health policy, it is unable to deliver its opinion on the question of increasing the residual level of thiabendazole by urgent procedure, and therefore urges the Commission and the Council to begin the consultation procedure, if there is to be one, early enough to avoid any pressure of time;
4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the committee's report to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council concerning problems arising from cooperation agreements and on the proposal from the Commission to the Council for a Decision establishing a consultation procedure for cooperation agreements between Member States and third countries

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to point 7 of the final communiqué of the 1973 Copenhagen summit conference concerning a common cooperation policy,
  - having regard to the importance of international agreements for the common commercial policy established pursuant to Article 113 of the EEC Treaty,
  - having regard to the communication and proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1275 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 225/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations and the Opinion of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. 359/73),
1. Welcomes the development of cooperation with the state-trading countries as a contribution towards the promotion of trade and world-wide efforts to achieve détente;
  2. Would like greater use to be made of the policy of cooperation with third countries throughout the world, particularly in regard to joint projects to secure Member States' requirements in respect of energy and other raw materials;
  3. Draws attention to the effects of cooperation agreements, especially on competition, employment and the common commercial policy of the EEC;
  4. Gives urgent warning that certain bilateral cooperation agreements might jeopardize the common commercial policy;
  5. Considers the proposed consultation procedure to be a necessary first step towards improvement of information and coordination within the Community in the matter of cooperation with third countries;

6. Urges the Council to pronounce on the proposal for a decision at an early date.
7. Calls upon the Commission to seek practical ways and means, bearing in mind experience of the application of the proposal for a Decision, of progressively incorporating independent contractual cooperation with third countries into the framework of European Community activity.
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

### on the European Community's industrial policy

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the statement on industrial policy made by Mr Spinelli, *Member of the Commission of the European Communities*, to the 9 May 1973 plenary sitting in Strasbourg <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having regard to the Memorandum from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the Community's industrial and technological policy programme (SEC (73) 1090/fin.),
- having regard to the programme of action in the field of technological and industrial policy submitted by the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (SEC (73) 3824/fin.),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 277/73),

1. Points out that industrial policy may be conceived as a means of establishing an economic and legal framework within which the forces industry can themselves ensure progress and development in this sector, or of creating the machinery for State regulation and intervention in industry;

Considers it necessary to point out in this connection that the different concepts of Community industrial policy must still be based on the principle of free competition and allow undertakings to set up business wherever they wish in the Community, according to their particular economic requirements but draws attention to the fact that this freedom of establishment must be reconciled with the requirements of sectoral policies, in particular, regional policy and environment policy;

2. Draws attention to the need to establish a Community industrial policy, bearing in mind that it is of prime importance to the achievement of Economic and Monetary Union which the Conference of Heads of State or Government, meeting in Paris in October 1972, declared to be one of the cornerstones of European unification;

3. Stresses that industrial policy must also be directed towards the organization of large economic areas, thus enabling undertakings to make full use of the opportunities offered by a market of European and often world scale rather than of national dimensions, and considers, moreover, that in mergers must meet the requirement of fair competition.

4. Considers that in view of the important and urgent need to translate industrial policy into practical terms, the industrial policy programmes which the Commission submits to the Council should include a greater number of practical proposals. Takes note, however, of the Commission's proposals to the Council on various sectors of industrial policy, ship-building, aeronautics, information industry and nuclear energy;

(1) Debates of the European Parliament No 162.

5. Notes that many of the measures proposed by the Commission in its industrial policy package follow divergent purposes and are difficult to reconcile with industrial policy in the true sense of the word and considers that many of them could be classified more easily under the heading of fiscal policy, competition policy and the completion of customs union;
6. Draws attention to the fact that the essential feature of industrial policy, as conceived at the Paris Summit, is that it must be implemented and developed in conjunction with the other Community policies; in other words, industrial policy measures must be consistent with other sectoral policies, in particular, social policy, regional and environmental policy;
7. Considers it necessary to encourage the creation of multinational European industrial groupings that can make better use of the facilities offered by large markets and compete more effectively with extra-European industrial groups;
8. Considers that since industrial development cannot be based solely on the promotion of large industrial undertakings with international aspirations but on the development of industry as a whole, the industrial policy programme submitted by the Commission should devote greater attention to the requirements of medium and small-scale undertakings;
9. Considers that since industrial policy and environmental policy are inter-connected, the Commission should have proposed solutions to the problems of environmental policy which link it more closely with industrial policy;
10. Considers that as little has so far been done to gradually open up public and semi-public markets, it would at least have been possible and appropriate to speed up the information campaign proposed by the European Commission in this sector of industrial policy and thus to remove the major historical and psychological obstacles to the gradual and effective opening up of public and semi-public markets in the Community;
11. Supports the Commission's views on the removal of fiscal barriers to cooperation between companies and its request to the Council to decide by the end of the year on the proposed Directives already submitted to it;
12. Welcomes the steps taken by the European Commission to ensure cooperation among the major national financial institutions providing funds for industry. Draws attention to the fact that Commission action in this sector is highly important, given the need to adapt sources of financing to the new requirements of small, medium and large-scale undertakings;
13. Considers it essential to introduce a joint policy in the technology sector at the earliest possible juncture in view of its major effects on the competitiveness of European industry. This policy should not only lead to closer coordination in the measures taken in this field by the Member States but must also promote and help implement Community projects proposed by the Commission. In this context, it draws attention to the fact that individual activities by undertakings in the technological sector should be encouraged by the Community;
14. Considers that industrial policy should cover problems stemming from the industrial and social requirements of developing countries and should therefore encourage diversification of industrial and economic structures in developing countries and help these countries to solve their problems of food supply;
15. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision adopting provisions for the dissemination of information relating to research programmes for the European Economic Community

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 237/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 355/73),
1. Holds the fundamental view that the results of Community-financed research should be published as widely as possible so as to be available to all;
  2. Believes, however, that the Community must take the most necessary measures to ensure that European industry is the first to benefit from research results with industrial applications;
  3. Expects the Commission to live up to its express intentions to administer the proposed arrangements in the least restrictive manner possible and to pursue an open information policy in respect of the various research programmes;
  4. Considers, on the basis of these expectations, that the Commission's proposal strikes a reasonable balance between the wish to make information generally known and the wish to give priority to the development of European industry, and can therefore approve the Commission's proposal;
  5. Wishes the Commission to keep it informed about the further rules for actually administering the arrangements in practice;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

(1) OJ No C 104, 29. 11. 1973, p. 15.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Decision on action by the European Social Fund to assist the social and occupational integration of handicapped persons
- II. a Decision concerning action by the European Social Fund to assist workers moving from one Community country to another
- III. a Regulation on further types of aid for workers who move from one Community country to another

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Community to the Council (COM (73) 1958 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 268/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 354/73),

1. Approves the Commission's proposals, being of the opinion that the two sectors which it is proposed to include within the Social Fund's scope of action require Community intervention as a matter of priority because of the grave problems with which they are faced;
2. Considers, however, that continually extending the Social Fund's action to new sectors will achieve very scant practical results unless the Fund is duly increased;
3. Invites, therefore, the Council to bear these new facts in mind when drawing up the Fund's budget and, to approve a possible supplementary budget for 1974 if the present endowment of the Fund of 98.8 million units of account under Article 4 should prove insufficient;
4. Regrets that the Commission of the European Communities has not given an approximate indication of the extent of the financial intervention by the European Social Fund which would result from the adoption of the present proposals and fears that this may obstruct the proper functioning of the Fund;

*As regards the proposal concerning handicapped persons*

5. Is of the opinion that action under Article 4 for this category of person should be much greater in scope, so that financial resources under Article 5 may be reserved for action most urgently needed (regions and groups of undertakings in difficult circumstances) and a better balance achieved between actions undertaken under Article 4 and those under the provisions of Article 5;
6. Regrets that the problem of handicapped persons is treated more in an economic than a social context;
7. Urges the Commission of the European Communities to undertake a study of the difficulties encountered by handicapped persons in finding employment at the end of the readaptation period;
8. In particular, invites the Commission to consider the possibility of using the resources of the Social Fund to supplement the income of handicapped persons for a limited period, or of giving employees a grant towards the salary burden involved so as to facilitate their employment;
9. Requests the Commission to present its conclusions, at the end of the six years' duration of the programme, in a report to the European Parliament;

*As regards the two proposals concerning migrant workers*

10. Approves the two proposals, but considers that these will be clearly insufficient unless a global strategy on migrant workers is adopted, aimed at reducing and completely eliminating forced emigration;
11. In this connection, considers that it is essential and urgent that the Regional Fund should become operative, that investments in third countries which provide labour should be coordinated at Community level, and that immigration policies of Member States in respect of third countries should also be coordinated;
12. Invites the Commission to undertake a thorough study of the problems of arduous, dangerous or dirty occupations which are at present the domain of foreign workers, so as to reduce the employment of manpower through greater mechanization or to induce native workers to take up such employment through pay or other incentives;
13. Believes that the European Social Fund should act also in support of comprehensive programmes for migrant workers from third countries, and therefore invites the Commission to examine all existing legal possibilities in this field;

14. Requests the Commission to make greater organizational and financial resources available in the spheres of accommodation and education for migrant workers and their families;
15. Considers it of the utmost importance to provide decent living and working conditions for the many millions of foreign workers already in the Community;
16. Is of the opinion that the risk that migration will be intensified in consequence of measures in favour of migrant workers should not be overestimated;
17. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council: Community action programme 'employment of handicapped persons in an open market economy'

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (SEC (73) 4006 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 314/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 353/73),
1. Approves the action programme to assist handicapped persons presented by the EEC Commission;
  2. Notes, however, that the programme only deals with one sector of the occupational rehabilitation of handicapped persons, i.e. preparations for their integration;
  3. Asks the Commission to submit proposals for solving all the social and occupational rehabilitation problems faced by handicapped persons;
  4. Considers that this first stage must be followed as soon as possible by a second stage providing in particular, for community aid to assist the integration of handicapped persons who require special working conditions (sheltered workshops) or are no longer able to work;
  5. Welcomes the fact that the EEC Commission has not excluded any type of disablement from its programme;
  6. Invites the Commission to study the possibility of providing aid from the Social Fund to assist newly employed handicapped persons, namely by supplementing their wages for a limited period;
  7. Considers it essential that organizations and groups of handicapped persons lend their full support and cooperation in the implementation of the programme;
  8. Believes that a precise division of labour between the various pilot centres forming the European network to be built up will make it possible to avoid wasting Community resources;
  9. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the control of concentrations between undertakings

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 87 and 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 170/73),
  - having regard to its resolutions of 7 June 1971 <sup>(2)</sup> and 12 February 1973 <sup>(3)</sup>,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 263/73 and Annex),
  - having regard to the reference back to the committee responsible of this report on 15 January 1974,
  - having regard to the supplementary report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 362/73),
1. Expresses its satisfaction at the Commission's compliance with the European Parliament's request to submit to the Council a proposal for a Regulation on the control of concentrations between undertakings and takes the view that this proposal is rightly based on Articles 87 and 235 of the EEC Treaty;
  2. Considers it necessary, if the Regulation is to be properly enforced, for the Commission to have full knowledge of market conditions at all times, thus enabling it to stage its views on planned concentrations generally within a much shorter period than specified in the proposed Regulation;
  3. Is of the opinion that the emphasis in preventive control of mergers should be placed on the maintenance of an adequate number of economic decision-making centres;
  4. Requests the Commission to incorporate the following amendments in its proposal pursuant to Article 149 <sup>(2)</sup> of the EEC Treaty;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the two committee reports to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 92, 31. 10. 1973, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 66, 1. 7. 1971, p. 11.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 14, 27. 3. 1973, p. 8.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation establishing a Community guarantee system for private investments in third countries

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (72) 1461 fin.),

- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 290/72),
  - recalling the positions it adopted earlier, together with the Parliamentary Conference of the EEC/AASM Association, in favour of the setting-up of a Community guarantee system for private investments in third countries <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Development and Cooperation and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 208/73),
1. Approves the setting-up of a Community guarantee system for private investments which should:
    - on the one hand promote new Community investments in the developing countries and thus contribute to the industrialization desired by these countries, since the proposed guarantee will supplement the measures already taken by the Community in the commercial sphere for the benefit of the developing countries;
    - on the other, constitute a useful element in a common policy for the supply of raw materials and a dynamic trade policy placing the Community on a level with its principal competitors, who already give their investors guarantees similar to those proposed;
  2. Approves the whole of the proposal from the Commission;
  3. Considers that the Regulation should be based not only on Article 113 but also on Article 235 of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;
  4. Invites the Commission, however, to adopt the following amendment to Article 6 of the proposal for a Regulation, in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
  5. Emphasizes that the Community system does not duplicate the machinery already existing in the Member States, since it is designed to cover all political risks and special risks not covered by national systems where schemes of Community interest and investments by two or more investors from different Member States are concerned;
  6. Also emphasizes the usefulness of the system, which represents a protective framework for countries which have not yet concluded guarantee agreements with all third countries and, while reducing the cost of the insurance, provides the necessary legal apparatus for claims by the abovementioned investors;
  7. Welcomes the setting-up of a European Private Investment Guarantee Office which, although financially autonomous, is under the direct supervision of the Commission, the latter being responsible for important decisions and for reporting annually to Parliament and the Council;
  8. Believes that this Regulation can only be effective if all Member States consider that it is truly an important and useful instrument of Community development aid policy;
  9. Nevertheless draws the Commission's and the Council's attention to the change in the attitude of the developing countries as regards foreign investment and to the need to avoid limiting investment aid to the traditional machinery now in operation;

<sup>(1)</sup> Report by Mr Dewulf on the problems of the industrialization of the Associated States and the measures to be implemented in order to speed up this industrialization, Doc. CPA No 31 of 10 January 1971 (motion for a resolution, paragraph 7 and pages 17 and 18, paragraphs 73 to 80).

Report by Mr Guillaubert on the Sixth Annual Report on the activities of the Association Council to the Parliamentary Conference of the EEC/AASM Association, Document CPA No 34/35 of 11 January 1971, page 33, paragraph 108.

Report by Mr Armengaud on the Seventh Annual Report on the activities of the Association Council to the Parliamentary Conference of the EEC/AASM Association, Doc. CPA No 38/39 of 11 January 1972, page 69, paragraph 112.

Answer to Written Question No 162/71 by Mr Dewulf (OJ No C 80, 7. 8. 1971).

10. Invites the Council to take a rapid decision on this proposal with a view to bringing the regulation into force as soon as possible, failing which the Community's policy with regard both to the developing countries and to its own investors will be overtaken by events;

11. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation supplementing Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 by introducing new provisions concerning enological processes

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 692 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 91/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Commission on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 364/73),
1. Approves the proposal for a Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 as regards the definition of liqueur wine and of certain grape musts

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1999 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 327/73),
  - having regard to the report from the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 363/73),
1. Approves the proposal for a Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission to the Council for Regulations concerning the fixing of prices for certain agricultural products and certain measures specified in the memorandum on the improvement of the common agricultural policy, and on a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Aigner and others on the increase in the guide price for beef and veal

### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (74) 30 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 338/73),
- having regard to a motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Aigner and others on the increase in the guide price for beef and veal (Doc. 326/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 366/73),
- considering that pursuant to Article 39 of the Treaty of Rome and paragraph 30 of the Commission communication, the price proposals should be made compatible with the general anti-inflationary policy of the Community, as stated by the Council on 4 December 1973 and the objective of the comparability of incomes on modern farms, but recognizing that restraints against inflation should be applied to all prices and not to agricultural prices alone,
- bearing in mind the Commission's Communication to the Council on the improvements of the common agricultural policy (Doc. 251/73),
- bearing in mind the report of the Committee on Agriculture on the Commission's Communication to the Council on the improvement of the Common Agricultural Policy (Doc. 337/73),
- bearing in mind the Commission's determination to base price policy on objective criteria,
- given the increase in production costs and particularly the sharp increases in the prices of animal feedstuffs, fertilizers and fuel,
- bearing in mind the existing imbalances between the meat and dairy sectors of agricultural production, and within the dairy sector itself.

1. Notes that the Commission, in drawing up the present price proposals, employed a time period for the statistical basis which ended in November 1973, and do not take into account, therefore, the very sharp increases in costs brought about, for example, by the oil crisis, thus raising doubts as to whether the price increases proposed for the 1974/75 marketing year will be adequate to safeguard the income of the farming population;

2. Is of the opinion, moreover, that it is wrong for the Commission to use a four year time scale to determine agriculture costs and non-agricultural comparative incomes when drawing up its price proposals. Insists, therefore, that a shorter period should be referred to so that recent cost increases, or decreases, are reflected in prices for the coming year and that there be an improvement in the immediacy of the statistical information used since it would be clearly wrong for the Commission, having decided (as stated in paragraph 30 of its memorandum on the improvement of the common agricultural policy) to base its price proposals on the current market situation, to use the four year period for the calculation of agricultural costs. And asks, furthermore, that the Commission should take into account the necessity for a certain stabilization of agricultural price levels on the one hand, and the explosive increase in production costs on the other, and requests that the general level of the proposed prices be increased substantially and the prices of products adjusted accordingly; nevertheless calls on the Commission to have always in mind the overriding need to combat the present inflationary pressures in all the Member States of the Community, and insists that the Commission should study the part which improved marketing and distribution can play in containing the impact on the consumer of higher producer prices;

3. Accepts that price policy will remain a very important instrument of the common agricultural policy, even while requiring complementary structural, social and regional policies;
4. Believes, with the Commission, that since price policy cannot be used to solve the income problems of all farmers, the general evolution of agricultural prices should be based more and more on the modern farm;
5. Asks the Commission to keep a careful watch on the conditions of competition in the various Member States, in connection with monetary complications and temporary restrictions on the free movement of goods;
6. Shares the opinion that the prevailing situation of the market should be taken into account in fixing the prices of the different products;
7. Considers it, however, indispensable, given the present state of the international market, characterized as it is by the shortage of foodstuffs and the sharp increase in food prices and by a consequent deterioration in the Community's trade balance and balance of payments, that incentives should be given above all to products in short supply;

*Animal production:*

8. Accepts the necessity in times of surplus for measures to introduce a degree of financial co-responsibility for surpluses in the dairy sector, but considers that there are considerable objections to the Commission's method of applying this principle by means of a double levy to be applied when quantities of butter bought in go beyond 300 000 metric tons: a levy of 1 % of the target price of milk on all milk delivered; and another levy of 1 % of the price paid by the intervention agencies on dairies which place more than 15 % of their butter and skimmed-milk powder into intervention;
9. Recommends, therefore, to the Commission that there should be a direct relationship between surpluses of butter and skimmed-milk powder, so that when, within a twelve-month reference period, quantities bought in exceed 300 000 metric tons there should be a proportional decrease in the intervention price for every additional 50 000 metric tons;
10. Recommends that the money saved by reduction in the intervention price for dairy produce as suggested above should be used for the promotion of the sales of dairy produce;
11. Considers, having regard to paragraph 2 of this motion for a resolution, that the new price structure proposed for butter, liquid milk and skimmed-milk powder will help to restore an equilibrium in the dairy sector;
12. Requests, however, that the increase in the intervention price for skimmed-milk powder be adequately compensated at the same level as direct aid given to skimmed-milk to be used as animal feedstuffs;
13. Approves the temporary continuation of special measures to reduce existing butter stocks;
14. Believes that it is necessary to improve the price relationship between the meat and dairy sectors so as to favour beef production;
15. Having regard to paragraph 2 of this motion for a resolution, believes that an equitable increase in the guide price for beef, and the retention of a guide price for veal, is necessary in order to maintain the incomes of the producers and ensure adequate future supplies, in view of the exceptionally sharp increase in the costs of feedstuffs, fertilizers and fuel requirements;

16. Is of the opinion that further consideration should be given to the problem of the impact of beef imports upon producers' incomes, bearing in mind the problems caused by monetary compensation amounts within the Community, by export refunds for frozen and chilled exports and by the disruptive effect of imports into the Community of beef and beef products;

17. Requests that the Commission provide information on the impact of imports on the incomes of the Community producer and envisage the use of safeguard clauses when the situation so demands;

18. Notes the continuing absence of any reference to sheepmeat and invites the Commission to come forward with proposals as quickly as possible, in view of the necessity to establish a proper price relationship between red meats and the importance of sheepmeat to certain Community farmers;

19. Deplores the fact that excessively high increases in the price to consumers of certain food products, which increases also result in a reduction in the share of the producer in the final price, lead to a decrease in the consumption of certain agricultural products, thereby further aggravating the problems confronting agriculture in the Community;

*Agricultural plant products:*

20. Believes that the price proposals for the agricultural plant product sector do not, generally speaking, take adequate account of the trend in costs and present market conditions, having regard to paragraph 2 of this motion for a resolution;

21. Agrees with the Commission's aims as expressed in the price proposals, of creating a better relationship between the production of cereals for human consumption and fodder cereals;

22. Is, however, of the opinion that the price relationship between wheat on the one hand and fodder grain on the other must be brought more into line with the supply and demand situation within the EEC;

23. Therefore considers it necessary that the target price for soft wheat should be increased by the average of the price increases for the other cereals, but that the intervention price should be increased by a lower percentage;

24. Also believes that the export system has to be adapted in such a way as to ensure that possible wheat surpluses can be disposed of in the first instance on the international market;

25. Considers that the abolition of the denaturing premium as a system should only be carried out gradually;

26. Requests the Commission to draw up a quality regulation for soft wheat containing strictly defined quality criteria — and relevant rules for control — in respect of the use of soft wheat for bread;

27. Notes that the alignment of the prices of wheat and maize, for which a period of five years was allocated in the Memorandum, is now being largely effected during the first year and draws attention to the fact that the three new Member States in particular, none of which grow maize to any significant extent, will be faced with a not inconsiderable rise in prices of animal fodders;

28. Believes, having regard to paragraph 2 of this motion for a resolution, that the proposed increase in the price of sugar is insufficient in view of increased production and processing costs, the small price increases allowed in past years and, finally, the increase in world market prices;

29. Invites the Commission to re-examine the guide prices for the various types of wine following the slump in market prices and the stock-piling measures that have already proved necessary;

30. Asks the Commission and Council to consider the vulnerable position of vegetable and fruit producers and believes that they could be offered better protection by a stricter implementation of the system of reference prices and the existing safeguard measures;
31. Expresses its support for the proposed amendment in respect of the olive oil sector, whereby the amount of aid would be determined *posteriori* on the basis of the difference between the production target price and the actual market price obtained;
32. Can agree to the measures proposed for encouraging the cultivation of soya; believes, however, that no measures should be taken in respect of soya that are more favourable than those in respect of comparable crops such as rape-seed and sunflower seed; is convinced that there will continue to be a great need for imported soya and therefore believes that, in consultation with the US and other third countries, guarantees must be obtained for the supply of an adequate quantity of this product at a reasonable price in the framework of a long-term agreement;
33. For reasons of clarity, declares its agreement with the proposals not explicitly examined above;
34. Asks the European Commission to modify their proposals to the Council according to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty in the manner indicated above;
35. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

on the communication of the Commission of the European Communities to the Council concerning improvement of the common agricultural policy

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the communication from the Commission to the Council (Doc. 251/73),
  - having regard to the interim report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 337/73) and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 337/73/Ann.),
  - bearing in mind the fact that when the decisions were taken on agricultural prices for the 1973/74 marketing year, the Council had instructed the Commission to undertake a thorough study of the problems arising in the context of the agricultural prices policy and of the desirability of taking further measures to ensure an equitable and proper growth of agricultural incomes without aggravating the market situation,
  - reaffirming the soundness of the three fundamental principles on which the common organization of the agricultural markets is based, i.e. the existence of a single market, the Community preference system and financial solidarity,
  - having noted the recent trend of the world market for the main agricultural primary products, states that the common agricultural policy aims, as it always has, at stability of prices and security of supplies,
1. Welcomes the broad guidelines announced in the Commission memorandum but expresses reservations on a number of the implementing measures put forward;
  2. Believes the Commission is correct in asking the farmer to assume a measure of joint responsibility for the disposal of surplus production, but considers that the yield from products normally to be placed on the market should not be affected;

3. Considers that pursuant to Article 39 of the EEC Treaty and paragraph 30 of the Commission memorandum, the price proposals should be made compatible with the general anti-inflationary policy of the Community as stated by the Council on 4 December 1973 and the objective of the comparability of incomes on modern farms, but recognizes that restraints against inflation should be applied to all prices and not to agricultural prices alone;
4. Recognizes that it would be an error to use the common agricultural policy alone for social ends and that recourse is required to structural policy, parallel to market policy, to increase the efficiency of the less viable farms;
5. Considers that the Commission must act more resolutely than proposed in this memorandum to move expenditure under the EAGGF from 'Guarantee' to the 'Guidance' section;
6. Does not believe that price policy alone can bring about the balance required between livestock, milk and cereal production, and in regional variations in income;
7. Believes that in respect to the common agricultural policy, a balance needs to be achieved between measures designed to improve agricultural incomes, and the interests of the consumer so that he would benefit from a wider choice of agricultural products at reasonable prices;
8. Calls for a strengthening of the machinery for consulting professional organizations, especially in connection, with price fixing;
9. Supports the proposals to encourage the production of fodder crops and proteins and asks that these measures be extended to the consumption of liquid milk;
10. Welcomes the proposal of the Commission seeking to further improve prices for the various cereals according to their nutritive value, by means of a progressive increase in the price of barley, maize, and by progressively eliminating denaturization of soft wheat when a better balance on the cereal market is achieved;
11. Supports the Commission's plan for the implementation of a comprehensive and coherent stocks policy for soft wheat;
12. Agrees, furthermore, with the proposal to change the butter fats solids to non-fat ratio to 50/50, as against 58/42 at the moment;
13. Questions whether the Commission's proposals give sufficient information for informed conclusions to be drawn as to the balance between regional policy on the one hand and the agricultural production sector on the other. Therefore requests the Commission to bring forward proposals clearly defining how it intends to achieve this necessary balance;
14. Regrets that the memorandum does not yet contain concrete proposals for a marketing organization leading to the establishment of a fund for promoting the disposal of dairy products;
15. Cannot accept the measures proposed to deal with surpluses in the dairy sector, and in particular the levy on quantities of milk exceeding 10 000 litres delivered to dairies;
16. Considers that the Commission's proposals to reorientate production from milk to beef and veal whilst welcome need further stimulation;
17. Seeks a Commission undertaking that the common organization of the sheep meat market will be reappraised within the next two years for the purpose of stimulating both efficient production and marketing of sheep meat as a source of red meat which is appreciated by many consumers;



18. Welcomes the Commission's proposals for afforestation and requests that the Commission include in its proposals tax provisions for private forest owners;
19. Approves the Commission's intention to submit early in 1974 proposals for common action in the sphere of market structures;
20. Calls for a re-examination of the Commission's conclusion concerning the rejection of direct grants to improve agricultural incomes by restricting them to specialized aid by region or certain products to be developed, particularly to help farmers in underprivileged areas who bear responsibility for soil preservation and environmental protection;
21. Requests the European Commission to consider whether the structural directives of 1972 <sup>(1)</sup> correspond to 1974 norms, and if in its opinion this is no longer the case, to introduce proposals to adapt them, and, furthermore, urges the Commission to request Member States to promote the rapid entry into force of these measures;
22. Considers that the Commission should initiate research and introduce proposals to develop the recycling of what are considered to be waste materials;
23. Welcomes the Commission's proposal for the publication of codified texts of the applicable acts relating to the common agricultural policy in the belief that this will improve the accessibility of Community legislation and so facilitate its implementation by official departments, producers and dealers;
24. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No L 96 of 23. 3. 1972.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive to delay the implementation of Council Directive No 72/160/EEC of 17 April 1972 concerning measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement for the Kingdom of Denmark

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (73) 2196 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 42 and 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 330/73),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (Doc. 367/73),

*whereas,*

- measures to encourage the cessation of farming and the reallocation of utilized agricultural area for the purposes of structural improvement are an important part of Community structural reform and should supplement the common agricultural policy,
- some Member States have difficulties in implementing the measures necessary to comply with the provisions of the structural directives within the time limits set <sup>(1)</sup>,

(<sup>1</sup>) See also Directive No 73/210/EEC (OJ No L 207, 24. 7. 1973, p. 48, and Frehsee's report of 6 June 1973 (Doc. 84/73)).

- the postponement of the implementation of the directive should therefore be a general regulation rather than an exceptional one for a single Member State;
  - only a relatively short postponement would be reasonable for a solution to the transitional difficulties mentioned in the preamble of the proposal since otherwise part of the Community structural policy, which has been developed under extreme political difficulty, will be indefinitely postponed and hence might be placed in jeopardy;
1. Therefore requests the Commission to submit, as required, a general directive until 31 December 1974; to delay the implementation of structural directives;
  2. For the above reasons opposes the present proposal for a directive;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on certain measures to be taken in agriculture for Italy as a result of the fixing, with effect from 28 January 1974, of a new representative rate for the Italian lira

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. COM (74) 50 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 339/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 365/73),
1. Approves the proposal for a Regulation;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation establishing a system of production aids for tinned pineapple, processed from fresh pineapples

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the EEC (Doc. 307/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, and the Opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 358/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 8, 31. 1. 1974, p. 31.

## RESOLUTION

on the energy policy measures to be taken following the decisions of the Copenhagen Summit Conference of Community Heads of State or Government, with particular reference to the Commission's proposals for legislative action by the Council in this field

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the final communiqué of the Conference of Heads of State or Government of the Member States of the European Communities held in Copenhagen on 14 and 15 December 1973, and in particular the Annex on energy,
  - having regard to the relevant Commission proposals for legislative action by the Council (COM (74) 20 fin. and 40 fin.),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology (Doc. 357/73),
  - recalling its earlier resolutions on energy policy, in particular:
    - on ensuring adequate energy supplies to the Community on the most permanent basis possible with a view to safeguarding, promoting and further developing the competitiveness of the Community on the world market as a prerequisite for economic growth, full employment and a progressive social policy <sup>(1)</sup>,
    - on the communications from the Commission to the Council concerning:
      - (a) the progress necessary in Community energy policy, and
      - (b) energy policy, problems and resources 1975 to 1985 <sup>(2)</sup>,
    - on the communication from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council on the initial implementation of the 'Guidelines and Priorities for a Community Energy Policy <sup>(3)</sup>',
1. Regrets that the declaration of intent made by the Heads of State or Government in respect of energy policy on 15 December 1973 has not yet led to initial steps towards the achievement of a Community energy policy;
  2. Insists that, in accordance with the normal practice of the Council and Commission, the European Parliament should be consulted on such major Commission proposals;
  3. Takes the view that the facts forming the basis of these proposals are structural rather than conjunctural and that the effect of the Council's acts should therefore not be limited to a few months;
  4. Fears that the increases that have already occurred in the price of imported hydrocarbons and those still to be expected will lead to a marked depletion of Member States' currency reserves and hence to a chronic disequilibrium in the balance of payments, which will have detrimental effects on the internal economic relations of the Member States and result in a decrease in real incomes;
  5. Therefore requests the Commission and Council to reduce the Community's dependence on imports for primary energy sources on the basis of the available and potential solutions contained in the European Parliament's resolutions on suitable short-term measures for the alleviation of the crisis in the European Community's energy supplies;
  6. Requests the Commission to submit to the Council, as a second step towards a Community energy policy, proposals for compulsory coordination of measures by the Member States in respect of energy conservation;
  7. Approves the Commission's proposals for legislative action by the Council subject to the following amendments;
  8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its Committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 112, 27. 10. 1972, p. 32.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 37, 4. 6. 1973, p. 19.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No C 108, 10. 12. 1973, p. 18.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on the present situation in the Community**

*The European Parliament,*

- sharing the concern expressed in the declaration of the Commission of the European Communities,
  - in face of the seriousness of the present situation and the effects which it may have on the future of the Community,
  - aware that the unity of Europe can only be realized if the community institutions are enabled to pursue forthwith a policy founded on real European solidarity,
1. Launches an urgent appeal to the institutions of the Community, the Governments and political forces in the Member States to eliminate obstacles to progress towards European union by providing a solution to the following immediate problems: regional policy, energy policy, the new stage of economic and monetary union, social policy and increasing the powers of the European Parliament;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on the arrest and deportation of Alexander Solzhenitsyn**

*The European Parliament,*

1. Is dismayed at the news of the arrest and deportation of Alexander Solzhenitsyn;
2. Considers this action a violation of human rights and an obstacle to the prospect of honourable detente between East and West;
3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments of the Member States.

**RESOLUTION**  
**on the agreements between the European Community and the Republic of Finland**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the two Agreements signed on 5 October 1973:
  - between the EEC and the Republic of Finland,
  - between the ECSC Member States and the ECSC on the one hand and the Republic of Finland on the other,
- having regard to the statement made by the President-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities on 20 September 1972 on the Agreements negotiated between the Community and the EFTA Member and Associated States which had not applied to join the Community <sup>(1)</sup>,

<sup>(1)</sup> See 'Debates of the European Parliament' No 153.

- aware of the importance of these Agreements to the enlarged Community and to international relations,
- having regard to its resolution of 15 March 1973 on the Agreements negotiated between the Community and the EFTA Member and Associated States which have not applied to join the Community <sup>(2)</sup>,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 356/73),

1. Welcomes the signature of the Agreements concluded by the Community with the Republic of Finland and their ratification by the Finnish Parliament;
2. Notes with satisfaction that the series of Agreements signed between the Community and the EFTA Member and Associated States should now make it possible to establish an industrial free trade area between 16 European countries on 1 July 1977;
3. Stresses the fact that the EEC and ECSC Agreements with Finland establish clearer and more advantageous commercial relations between the contracting parties, while fully respecting their independent decision-making powers;
4. Approves these two Agreements in so far as the Community is concerned;
5. Invites the national Parliaments of the Member States of the Community as co-signatories to the agreement between the ECSC and Finland to ratify it as soon as possible;
6. Expresses the keen interest it takes in this Agreement and its implementation.
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the appropriate authorities in the Republic of Finland.

(2) OJ No C 19, 12. 4. 1973, p. 30.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive concerning the harmonization of legislation in the Member States relating to electrical energy meters

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 8/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 335/73),
1. Points out that the deadline for implementing the programme to eliminate technical barriers to trade resulting from the disparity between the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States was not met;
  2. Deplores the fact that this delay is largely due to the slowness of the Council's decision-making procedure;
  3. Points out that, in the section on industrial policy of the declaration published at the end of the Paris Summit Conference in October 1972, the Heads of State or Government confirmed the need to eliminate technical barriers to intra-Community trade as soon as possible;

(1) OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 7.

4. Accordingly invites the Council to finally adopt the directives for which the Commission has submitted proposals to it;
5. Understands that the Programme on Industrial Policy which the Commission submitted to the Council on 7 March 1973 includes a timetable which lays down new deadlines for adopting proposals for Directives based on Article 100 of the EEC Treaty;
6. Welcomes this new programme and hopes that the Commission and the Council will scrupulously respect the deadlines fixed in it;
7. Expects to be consulted on this programme as soon as possible;
8. Appreciates why in this proposal for a Directive, the Commission of the European Communities does not for the time being envisage making systematic use of checks by statistical sampling;
9. Requests the Commission, however, to promote the work at present being undertaken by experts, with a view to making the above system of checks feasible, including it in a proposed modification to this Directive;
10. Agrees with the Commission that the solution of 'optional' harmonization seems justified in view of the serious difficulties associated at present with total harmonization;
11. Nevertheless invites the Commission to create the conditions necessary for total harmonization as soon as possible;
12. Approves the Commission's proposal;
13. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive concerning the harmonization of legislation in Member States in respect of radio interference caused by sound and vision TV receivers

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 69/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Opinion of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 336/73),
1. Notes that the present proposal for a Directive is the third in a series of four proposals on the harmonization of legislation in Member States in respect of radio interference caused by certain types of apparatus;
  2. Recalls that the European Parliament has already delivered its Opinion <sup>(2)</sup> on the first two proposals in this series, which relate to radio interference caused by:
    - domestic electrical appliances, portable power tools and similar devices, and
    - fluorescent lighting tubes;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 90, 26. 10. 1973, p. 25.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No C 37, 4. 6. 1973, p. 8.

3. Regrets that the Commission did not include in its present proposal the amendments proposed by Parliament in the abovementioned Opinions;
4. Has learnt that the Industrial and Technical Policy Programme submitted by the Commission to the Council on 7 May 1963 contains a timetable setting new target dates for the approval of draft Directives under Article 100 of the EEC Treaty;
5. Welcomes this new Programme and hopes that the target dates it specifies will be closely observed by the Commission and Council;
6. Expects to be consulted on this Programme at the earliest opportunity;
7. Notes that the standards contained in the Annex to the present proposal for a Directive largely accord with the standards laid down by the CISPR <sup>(1)</sup>;
8. Believes that this proposal for a Directive, and others of the same kind, should take account of the interests not only of the producers and intermediaries involved, but also, to at least an equal extent of the consumer;
9. Recommends the Commission to submit to the Council, if and when possible, a proposal for the introduction of a European quality mark which must be sufficiently publicized in the Community;
10. Expresses its general approval of the Commission's proposal;
11. Urges the Commission to include the following amendments in its proposal, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty;
12. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

<sup>(1)</sup> Special International Committee on Radio Interference.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to roadworthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 161/72-II),
- having regard to the second report of the Committee on Regional Policy and Transport and the Opinion of the Legal Affairs Committee (Doc. 343/73),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 119, 16. 11. 1972, p. 1.

- considering that road traffic conditions are becoming increasingly difficult and dangerous,
- stresses that a safer and more expeditious traffic flow can be achieved by measures covering not simply infrastructure but also vehicles,

1. Welcomes accordingly the proposed directive from the Commission for the approximation of national laws on vehicle roadworthiness tests;
2. Considers as regards roadworthiness testing of vehicles that the Commission should initially confine itself to harmonizing the list of vehicle parts or items of equipment for inspecting as well as certain methods and conditions of test;
3. Nevertheless invites the Commission to act on its intentions and submit a proposal in the fairly near future for the harmonization of special technical standards for certain items of equipment, particularly devices to eliminate noise and exhaust fumes;
4. Considers that when a used vehicle is imported, a roadworthiness test should be carried out before the vehicle is re-registered, irrespective of when it was last tested in the country of origin;
5. Approves the proposed Directive in the realization that while it may be high, the cost of such tests is still low compared with the increasing cost of traffic accidents, not only in financial but also in human terms;
6. Trusts that the provision in question will be speedily introduced and strictly applied in the Member States;
7. Requests the Commission to endorse the following amendments in accordance with Article 149 of the Treaty establishing the EEC;
8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the total or partial suspension of Common Customs duties on certain products falling within Chapters 1 to 24 of the Common Customs Tariff and originating in Malta

#### *The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 2112/fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 113 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 328/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on External Economic Relations (Doc. 361/73), and the Opinion of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 361/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.



## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on a proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation concerning Community financing of expenditure incurred in respect of the supply of agricultural products as food aid

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 2150 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 329/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 369/73),
1. Welcomes the fact that the Commission has fulfilled its obligation to submit a proposal to group together expenditure incurred in supplying food aid in such a way as to provide a clearer picture of the costs involved;
  2. Notes with satisfaction that Titles 6 and 7 of the Communities' budget will from now on cover only appropriations relating to refunds on exports to third countries;
  3. Calls upon the Commission to apply for the transfer of appropriations as soon as possible after this proposal for a Regulation has been adopted;
  4. Approves the Commission's proposal, subject to the comments made above;
  5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

## RESOLUTION

on the procedure for reviewing the Seventh General Report of the Commission of the European Communities on the activities of the Communities in 1973

*The European Parliament decides that:*

the seventh general report on the activities of the Communities in 1973 (except for the special annexes which shall continue to be dealt with in the usual way) shall be reviewed as follows:

1. The general report on the activities of the Communities shall be distributed as soon as it is received;
2. It shall be reviewed at the part-session to be held from 13 to 17 May 1974;
3. At the beginning of the constituent sitting and after the Bureau has been elected, Parliament shall appoint a general rapporteur responsible for presenting to it a report on the general report on the activities of the Communities;

4. This appointment shall be made under the procedure laid down in Rule 37 (2) and (3) of the Rules of Procedure;

5. Committees may pass on to the general rapporteur, before 13 April 1974, their opinions on sections of the general report that come within their competence; opinions shall be concisely worded and suitably drafted for inclusion in the motion for a resolution;

6. The general report of Parliament shall be presented in the form of a motion for a resolution drawn up by the general rapporteur in the light of the opinions delivered by the committees; the general rapporteur shall lay the draft motion for a resolution before the Political Affairs Committee for its approval

7. The general report shall be passed to the President of Parliament not later than two weeks before the beginning of the part-session at which it is to be discussed;

8. The President shall have the report published and place it on the agenda of the part-session referred to in paragraph 2 above.

#### RESOLUTION

on the number of committees of the European Parliament and their membership

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to Rule 37 of its rules of Procedure,

decides to extend the term of validity of its resolution of 12 March 1973 <sup>(1)</sup> on the number of committees of the European Parliament and their membership:

*The European Parliament,*

— having regard to Rule 37 of its Rules of Procedure,

decides to set up, for the 1973/74 session,

#### I

the following committees:

- (1) Political Affairs Committee,
- (2) Legal Affairs Committee,
- (3) Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs,
- (4) Committee on Budgets,
- (5) Committee on Social Affairs and Employment,
- (6) Committee on Agriculture,
- (7) Committee on Regional Policy and Transport,
- (8) Committee on Public Health and the Environment,
- (9) Committee on Energy, Research and Technology,

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 19, 12. 4. 1973, p. 14.

- (10) Committee on Cultural Affairs and Youth,
- (11) Committee on External Economic Relations,
- (12) Committee on Development and Cooperation.

Committees 1 to 10 shall consist of 29 members each.

Committees 11 and 12 shall consist of 35 members each.

## II

the following delegations:

- (1) the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Greece Association,
- (2) the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Turkey Association,
- (3) the Parliamentary Committee for the Association with the East African Community.

Delegations 1 and 2 shall each consist of 15 members. These members shall be chosen from among the full members of the Committee on External Economic Relations.

Delegation 3 shall consist of 12 members. Its members shall be chosen from among the full members of the Committee on Development and Cooperation.

The European members of the Joint Committee appointed by the EEC-AASM Parliamentary Conference shall be full members of the Committee on Development and Cooperation.'

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the amendments to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for:

- I. a Regulation supplementing Regulation No 1009/67/EEC on the common organization of the market in sugar;
- II. a Regulation fixing, for the 1974/75 sugar marketing year, derived intervention prices, intervention prices for raw beet sugar, minimum prices for beet, threshold prices, the guaranteed quantity and the maximum amount of the production levy

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposals from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (74) 156 fin.),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 388/73-I and II), pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 393/73),

1. Approves in principle the Commission's proposals;
2. Requests the Commission to make the following amendments to its proposals pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty;
3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the amended proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Regulation No 120/67/EEC on the common organization of the market in cereals

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (74) 144 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 388/73-III),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 394/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the amended proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation on the extension of the price scheme for oil seeds to include soya beans

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (74) 196 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 388/73-IV),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 395/73),
1. Approves the Commission's proposal;
  2. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

#### RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Regulation amending Article 4 (a) of Regulation (EEC) No 974/71 as regards the monetary compensatory amounts applicable to processed agricultural products

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (1),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Articles 43 and 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 397/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 399/73),
1. Approves the content of the proposal for a Regulation;
  2. Invites the Commission of the European Communities to make the following amendment, pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the Treaty;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.

(1) OJ No C 20, 5. 3. 1974, p. 7.

## RESOLUTION

embodying the Opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Directive to amend the Directives laying down basic safety standards for the health protection of the population and workers against the dangers of ionizing radiations

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (73) 1956 fin.),
  - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 31 of the EAEC Treaty (Doc. 299/73),
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Public Health and the Environment (Doc. 387/73),
1. Welcomes the Commission's proposal for a Directive, the object of which is to revise the Directives laying down basic safety standards for the health protection of the population and workers against the dangers of ionizing radiations, on the basis of the latest developments in scientific knowledge and of practical experience in applying the basic standards;
  2. Emphasizes that the major principles underlying the 1959 standards will not be affected by the proposed amendments and that what is involved is an improvement in the organization of protection and adaptation to practical requirements which will not detract from the standard of protection provided;
  3. Notes that exposure resulting from natural background radiation and medical treatment is much higher than exposure through nuclear research and nuclear industry;
  4. Therefore supports the Commission's proposal that Member States should enact legislation to ensure that exposure to radiation as a result of medical examination and treatment should be kept to a minimum level consistent with medical requirements;
  5. Calls on the Commission:
    - (a) to make great efforts to provide the general public with full details of all safety and health risks connected with nuclear reactors;
    - (b) to ensure full health protection for workers employed in the nuclear energy field and in particular to make sure that radioactive waste can cause no damage either in transit or when it is finally stored;
  6. Urges the Council to adopt the Commission's proposal in full without delay, so that provisions that are geared to current practice and scientific knowledge can be implemented within two years of the Directive being introduced;
  7. Approves, subject to the above remarks, the Commission's proposal, with reliance being placed on the opinion of the experts it has consulted;
  8. Invites the Commission of the European Communities to adopt the following amendment pursuant to Article 149, second paragraph, of the EEC Treaty;
  9. Calls upon its appropriate Committee to check carefully whether the Commission of the European Communities complies with the demand made in this Resolution, and to report back to it where appropriate;
  10. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution and the report of its committee to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.