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drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment,
Public Health and Consumer Protection

on the proposal from the Commission of the European
Communities to the Council (Doc. (2-140/85 - COM(85) 649
final) for a decision on the conclusion of the Protocol
to the 1979 Geneva Convention on long-range
transboundary air pollution, on long-term financing of
the cooperative programme for monitoring and evaluation
of the long-range transmission of air pollutants in
Europe (EMEP)

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By letter of 19 December 1985, the President of the Council of the European Communities consulted the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty, on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision on the conclusion of the Protocol to the 1979 Geneva Convention on long-range transboundary air pollution, on long-term financing of the cooperative programme for monitoring and evaluation of the long-range transmission of air pollutants in Europe (EMEP).

On 13 January 1986, the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets for its opinion.

At its meeting of 19 December 1985, the committee decided to adopt the simplified procedure, pursuant to Rule 99(2) of the Rules of Procedure and appointed its chairman rapporteur in accordance with the Rule.

Since by 14 February 1986 no objections had been raised, the chairman declared the report adopted.

The opinion of the Committee on Budgets will be published.

The report was tabled on 3 March 1986.

The deadline for tabling amendments to this report will be indicated in the draft agenda for the part-session at which it will be debated.

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The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution together with explanatory statement:

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

closing the procedure for consultation of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision on the conclusion of the Protocol to the 1979 Geneva Convention on long-range transboundary air pollution, on long-term financing of the cooperative programme for monitoring and evaluation of the long-range transmission of air pollutants in Europe (EMEP)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council¹,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. C 2-140/85),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. A2-228/85)
- having regard to the outcome of the vote on the Commission proposal,

1. Endorses this proposal;
2. Instructs its President to forward to the Council and Commission, as Parliament's opinion, the Commission's proposal as voted by Parliament and the corresponding resolution.

¹ OJ No. C 321, 13.12.1985, p. 5

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In 1979, to bring about the supervision and control of the shipment of air pollutants, the Community concluded the Geneva Convention on long-range transboundary air pollution.

The purpose of this proposal for a directive is to supplement this Convention.

On 24 May 1984, the Commission was authorized to represent the Community at negotiations on the Protocol to the Convention. On 28 September 1984, the Community signed the Protocol.

The European Parliament, which supports all Community measures on the environment and especially Community participation in relevant international conventions, approves the proposal for a directive aimed at ratifying the 1979 Geneva Convention.