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drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Energy, Research
and Technology

on the proposal from the Commission of the European
Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-525/83 - COM(83)
356 final)

for

a Decision adopting the second stage (January 1984 to March 1986)
of the multi-annual research and training programme for the
European Economic Community in the field of biomolecular
engineering

Rapporteur: Mr G. SCHMID

PE 85.609/fin.

By letter of 1 July 1983, the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision adopting the second stage (January 1984 to March 1986) of the multi-annual research and training programme for the European Economic Community in the field of biomolecular engineering.

On 6 July 1983, the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection for an opinion.

At its meeting of 12 July 1983, the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology appointed Mr SCHMID rapporteur.

The committee considered the Commission's proposal and the draft report at its meeting of 21 September and decided unanimously to recommend to Parliament that it approve the Commission's proposal with the following amendment.

The Commission informed the committee that it had not take a decision on Amendment No. 1.

The committee then adopted the motion for a resolution as a whole unanimously.

The following took part in the vote: Mr SELIGMAN, acting chairman; Mr SCHMID, rapporteur; Mr ARNDT (deputizing for Mr GALLAGHER), Mr BEAZLEY (deputizing for Mr NORMANTON), Mr Karl FUCHS, Mr GHERGO (deputizing for Mr SASSANO), Mr MORELAND, Mr PEDINI, Mr PFLIMLIN, Mr PURVIS, Mr RINSCHKE, Mr ROGALLA, Mr SALZER, Mr SEAL (deputizing for Mr HALLIGAN), Mr VERONESI.

The opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection are published separately.

The report was tabled on 22 September 1983.

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The Committee on Energy, Research and Technology hereby submits to the European Parliament the following amendments to the Commission's proposal and motion for a resolution, together with explanatory statement:

Proposal from the Commission for a Council Decision adopting the second stage (January 1984 to March 1986) of the multi-annual research and training programme for the European Economic Community in the field of biomolecular engineering

Amendments tabled by the Committee
on Energy, Research and Technology

Text proposed by the Commission

Annex

Paragraph 1.1. unchanged

Amendment No. 1

Paragraph 1.2.

Improved production, by means of biomolecular engineering methods, of substances for:

- animal husbandry (particularly vaccines, hormones, ...),
- agro-food industries,
- blood coagulation (factor VIII),
- vaccination against tropical diseases.

Paragraph 1.2.

Improved production, by means of biomolecular engineering methods, of substances for:

- animal husbandry (particularly vaccines, hormones, ...),
- agro-food industries.

Paragraphs 1.3., 1.4., 1.5.
and paragraph 2 unchanged

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 adopting the second stage (January 1984 to March 1986) of the multi-annual research and training programme for the European Economic Community in the field of biomolecular engineering

The European Parliament

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission to the Council (1),
- having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 1-525/83),
- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr SCHMID and others (Doc. 1-537/83),
- having regard to its previous resolutions, in particular
- on the proposal from the Commission for a multi-annual Community programme of research and development in biomolecular engineering (indirect action 1981 - 1985) (2)
- having regard to the report by the Committee on Energy, Research and Technology and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (Doc. 1-751/83),
- having regard to the result of the vote on the Commission's proposal,

(1) OJ No. C 180, 7.7.1983, p. 10

(2) OJ No. C 327, 15.12.1980, p. 38

1. Demands that medical subjects also be included in the research programme;
2. Otherwise approves the Commission's proposal;
3. Expects the Council to take an immediate decision;
4. 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.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

1. Parliament has always regarded the division of the programme into two stages as impractical and has been in favour of a four-year programme from the beginning.
2. The Commission has largely met the conditions laid down by Parliament in its resolution of 20 November 1980 (1).
3. The remaining reservations with respect to the training section should be taken into account in a new version of the programme after 1986, when further experience will have been gained.

(1) OJ No. C 327, 15.12.1980, p. 38