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COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Brussels, 22 October 2001

41st PLENARY SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

DETAILED DRAFT AGENDA

Paul-Henri Spaak (European Parliament)

Room 3C50

**Wednesday 14 November 2001, from 2.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.
and Thursday 15 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.**

Provisional timetable

**Wednesday
14 November 2001**

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| 2.30 p.m. | 1. Adoption of the agenda (CdR 366/2001 rev. 1) |
| | 2. Approval of the minutes of the 40 th plenary session, held on 19 and 20 September 2001 (CdR 336/2001 and Appendix 1) |
| | 3. Statement by the president |
| | 4. Information from the secretary-general on the implementation of political priorities |
| 3.15 p.m. | 5. Statement by a representative of the Spanish presidency |
| 4 p.m. | 6. Statement by Mr Duisenburg , President of the European Central Bank |

4.30 p.m.

EXAMINATION AND ADOPTION OF OPINIONS

7. **The future of the Common Fisheries Policy^(*)**
(Green Paper of the European Commission)
Commission 2 - Chairman: **Mr Robert Savy** (F/PSE)
COM(2001) 135 final
CdR 153/2001 rev. 1 - COM-2/027
Rapporteurs: **Mr Rüdiger von Plüskow** (*State-Secretary in the Ministry for Rural Areas, Agriculture, Food and Tourism of the Land of Schleswig-Holstein, D/PSE*) and **Mr Wim van Gelder** (*Queen's Commissioner for the Province of Zeeland, NL/PPE*)
8. **Food safety: the BSE crisis - consequences for consumers and primary producers^(*)**
(Own-initiative of the Committee of the Regions)
Commission 5 - Chairman: **Theodoros Lazaridis** (EL/PSE)
CdR 61/2001 rev. 2 - COM-5/038
Rapporteurs: **Mr Günther Pumberger** (*Chair of the Upper Austrian Association of Municipalities, A/PPE*), **Mr Tommaso Sodano** (*Executive member, Province of Naples, I/PSE*)
9. **Activities of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia^(*)** (Report of the European Commission)
Commission 5 - Chairman: **Theodoros Lazaridis** (EL/PSE)
COM(2000) 625 final
CdR 67/2001 rev. 1 - COM-5/044
Rapporteur: **Mr Peter Moore** (*Member of Sheffield City Council, UK/ELDR*)
10. **Preparation for the Laeken European Council and the further development of the European Union in the context of the next intergovernmental conference in 2004^(**)**
(Draft Resolution of the Committee of the Regions)
Commission for Institutional Affairs - President: **Manfred Dammeyer** (D/PSE)
CdR 104/2001 rev. 2 - COM-INST. AFF./021
Rapporteur: **Mr Stoiber** (*Prime Minister of the Free State of Bavaria, D/PPE*)

(*) Postponed from September

(**) Simplified procedure (Article 26 of the Rules of Procedure)

- 11. Role of the regions with legislative powers in the Community's decision-making process** (CoR Declaration)
Commission for Institutional Affairs - President : **Manfred Dammeyer** (D/PSE)
CdR 191/2001 fin. - COM-INST. AFF./024
Rapporteurs : **Mr Dammeyer** (*First Vice-President of the Committee of the Regions, member of the North Rhine-Westphalia Landtag, D/PSE*); **Mrs du Granrut** (*Deputy Mayor of Senlis, F/PPE*); **Lord Tope** (*Member of Sutton London Borough Council, UK/ELDR*)
- 12. The participation of regional government representatives in the work of the Council of the European Union, and of the CoR in informal Council meetings** ^(**)
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission for Institutional Affairs - President : **Manfred Dammeyer** (D/PSE)
CdR 431/2000 rev. 2 - COM-INST.AFF./017
Rapporteur : **Mr Martini** (*President of the Tuscany Region, I/PSE*), **Mr Schausberger** (*Governor of Salzburg, A/PPE*)
- 13. Consultation of the CoR within the Community's decision-making process**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission for Institutional Affairs - President : **Manfred Dammeyer** (D/PSE)
CdR 105/2001 rev. 1 - COM-INST.AFF./022
Rapporteur : **Mr van den Brande** (*Member of the Flemish Parliament, B/PPE*)
- 14. Supporting the development of institutional structures at local and regional level in the applicant countries**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission for Institutional Affairs - President : **Manfred Dammeyer** (D/PSE)
CdR 102/2001 rev. 3 - COM-INST.AFF./019
Rapporteur : **Mr Kaliff** (*Chairman of Kalmar Council, S/PSE*)
- 15. Equal opportunities for women and men in the European Union 2000**
(European Commission annual report)
Commission 5 - President : **Theodoros Lazaridis** (EL/PSE)
COM(2001) 179 final
CdR 204/2001 rev. 1 - COM-5/045
Rapporteur : **Mrs Bunyan** (*Member of Bristol Unitary Authority, UK/PSE*)

(**) Simplified procedure (Article 26 of the Rules of Procedure)

- 16. European Year of People with Disabilities 2003**
(Proposal for a Council Decision)
Commission 5- President : **Theodoros Lazaridis** (EL/PSE)
COM(2001) 271 final - 2001/0116 (CNS)
CdR 282/2001 rev. 1 - COM-5/046
Rapporteur : **Mr Brown** (*Leader of Clackmannanshire Council, UK/EA*)
- 17. Working together to maintain momentum - 2001 Review of the Internal Market Strategy** (Commission Communication)
Commission 6 - President : **Annelie Stark** (S/PSE)
COM(2001) 198 final
CdR 200/2001 rev. 2 - COM-6/034
Rapporteur : **Mrs Rodust** (*President of the Land of Schleswig-Holstein commission for European affairs, D/PSE*)

± 8.30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Thursday
15 November 2001

9 a.m.

RESUMPTION OF PROCEEDINGS

EXAMINATION AND ADOPTION OF OPINIONS

- 18. Multiannual framework programme 2002-2006 : European Research Area**
(Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council)
Commission 5 - President : **Theodoros Lazaridis** (EL/PSE)
COM(2001) 94 final - 2001/0053 (COD)
CdR 283/2001 rev. 1 - COM-5/047
Rapporteur : **Mr Teufel** (*Minister of the Land of Bade-Wurtemberg, D/PPE*)
- 19. Employment and social policies: a framework for investing in quality**
(Commission Communication)
Commission 6 - President : **Annelie Stark** (S/PSE)
COM(2001) 313 final
CdR 270/2001 rev. 1 - COM-6/036
Rapporteurs : **Mrs Peiponen** (*Member of Varkaus City Council, FI/PSE*)
- 20. Guidelines for Member States' employment policies for the year 2002**
(Proposal for a Council decision)
Commission 6 - President : **Annelie Stark** (S/PSE)
COM(2001) 511 final - 2001/0208 (CNS)
CdR 271/2001 rev. 1 - COM-6/037
Rapporteur general : **Mrs Stark** (*Member of the Regional Executive Board, Västmanland Region, S/PSE*)

21. **Employment policy aspects of EU enlargement**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission 6 - President : **Annelie Stark** (S/PSE)
CdR 269/2001 rev. 1 - COM-6/033
Rapporteur : **Mr Schimpf** (*Member of the Saxony Landtag, D/PPE*)
22. **Creating an entrepreneurial Europe: The activities of the European Union for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)**
(Report from the European Commission)
Commission 6 - President : **Annelie Stark** (S/PSE)
COM(2001) 98 final
CdR 199/2001 rev. 2 - COM-6/031
Rapporteur : **Mr van den Brande** (*Member of the Flemish Parliament, B/PPE*)
23. **Creating a safer information society by improving the security of information infrastructures and combating computer-related crime: eEurope 2002**
(European Commission Communication)
Commission 7 - President : **Alberto João Jardim** (P/PPE)
COM(2000) 890 final
CdR 88/2001 rev. 3 - COM-7/032
Rapporteur : **Mr Dupre** (*Vice-Chair of the Association of German District Councils, D/PPE*)
24. **Minimum standards on the reception of applicants for asylum in Member States**
(Proposal for a Council Directive)
Commission 7 - President : **Alberto João Jardim** (P/PPE)
COM(2001) 181 final - 2001/0091 (CNS)
CdR 214/2001 rev. 2 - COM-7/037
Rapporteurs : **Mr Georgakis** (*Mayor of Ilioupoli, EL/PSE*)
25. **Second report on economic and social cohesion**
(European Commission report)
Commission 1 - President : **K.-H. Klär** (D/PSE)
COM(2001) 24 final
CdR 74/2001 rev. 2 - COM-1/027
Rapporteurs : **Mr Zaplana Hernández-Soro** (*President of the Autonomous Community of Valencia, E/PPE*); **Mr Tindemans** (*Member of the Limburg Provincial Executive, NL/PSE*)
26. **Establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)**
(Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council)
Commission 1 - President : **K.-H. Klär** (D/PSE)
COM(2001) 83 final - 2001/0046 (COD)
CdR 182/2001 rev. 1 - COM-1/031
Rapporteur : **Mr Martini** (*President of the Tuscany Region, I/PSE*)

- 27. Cohesion fund (1999)**
(Annual report)
Commission 1 - President : **K.-H. Klär** (D/PSE)
COM(2000) 822 final
CdR 183/2001 rev. 2 - COM-1/029
Rapporteur : **Mr Bree** (*Member of Sligo County Council, IRL/PSE*)
- 28. 11th Annual Report on the Structural Funds (1999)**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission 1 - President : **K.-H. Klär** (D/PSE)
COM(2000) 698 final
CdR 184/2001 rev. 1 - COM-1/030
Rapporteur : **Mr Tillich** (*Minister of the State of Saxony for Federal and European Affairs, D/PPE*)
- 29. Ten years after Rio : Preparing for the World Summit on Sustainable Development in 2002**
(European Commission Communication)
Commission 4 - President : **Sally Powell** (UK/PSE)
COM(2001) 53 final
CdR 37/2001 rev. 2 - COM-4/046
Rapporteur : **Mrs Powell** (*Member of Hammersmith and Fulham London Borough Councils, UK/PSE*)
- 30. Towards a European strategy for the security of energy supply**
(Commission's Green Paper)
Commission 4 - President : **Sally Powell** (UK/PSE)
COM(2000) 769 final
CdR 38/2001 rev. 2 - COM-4/047
Rapporteur : **Mr Roelants du Vivier** (*Vice-President of the Brussels Parliament, B/ELDR*)

1 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

2.30 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF PROCEEDINGS

- 31. Biodiversity action plans in the areas of conservation of natural resources, agriculture, fisheries, and development and economic cooperation^(***)**
(European Commission Communication)
Commission 4 - President : **Sally Powell** (UK/PSE)
COM(2001) 162 final
CdR 201/2001 rev. 1 - COM-4/052
Rapporteur : **Mr Torchio** (*Mayor of Spineda, I/PPE*)

(***) Urgency procedure (Article 25 of the Rules of Procedure)

- 32. Energy performance of buildings**
(Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council)
Commission 4 - President : **Sally Powell** (UK/PSE)
COM(2001) 226 final - 2001/0098 (COD)
CdR 202/2001 rev. 1 - COM-4/053
Rapporteur : **Mrs McNamara** (*Member of Cork County Council, IRL/EA*)
- 33. The clean air for Europe (CAFE) programme: towards a thematic strategy for air quality** (***)
(European Commission Communication)
Commission 4 - President : **Sally Powell** (UK/PSE)
COM(2001) 245 final
CdR 203/2001 rev. 1 - COM-4/054
Rapporteur : **Mr Paiva** (*President of Tomar Municipal Council, P/PPE*)
- 34. The regional implications of the Common Agricultural Policy on enlargement of the EU**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission 2 - President : **Mr Robert Savy** (F/PSE)
CdR 416/2000 rev. 2 - COM-2/022
Rapporteur : **Mr Johansson** (*Member of the Regional Executive Board, Western Götaland, S/ELDR*)
- 35. The development of rural areas by means of a proactive policy on information and communications technologies**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission 2 - President : **Mr Robert Savy** (F/PSE)
CdR 57/2001 rev. 2 - COM-2/024
Rapporteur : **Mr Lebrun** (*Member of the Walloon Parliament and of the Parliament of the French Community of Belgium, Mayor of Viroinval (Namur)), B/PPE*)
- 36. Protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs**
(CoR own-initiative)
Commission 2 - President : **Mr Robert Savy** (F/PSE)
CdR 58/2001 rev. 2 - COM-2/026
Rapporteurs : **Mr Sanz Alonso** (*President of the Autonomous Community of La Rioja, E/PPE*); **Mr Rumpf** (*Former State Secretary for European Affairs of the Land of Rhineland-Palatinate, D/ELDR*)
- 37. Simplification of agricultural legislation**
(Report from the European Commission)
Commission 2 - President : **Mr Robert Savy** (F/PSE)
COM(2001) 48 final
CdR 154/2001 rev. 2 - COM-2/028
Rapporteur : **Mr Murray** (*Member of Meath County Council, IRL/EA*)

(***) Urgency procedure (Article 25 of the Rules of Procedure)

- 38. **Network and Information Security**
(European Commission Communication)
Commission 3 - President : **Mrs Betty Coffey** (IRL/EA)
COM(2001) 298 final
CdR 257/2001 rev. 1 - COM-3/048
Rapporteur-general : **Mrs Barrero-Florez** (*Director-General for European Affairs Ministry of Public Administration and European Affairs, E/PSE*)
- 39. **Administrative matters**
- 40. **Any other business**
- 41. **Date of the next meeting**

5.30 p.m.

END OF PLENARY SESSION

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