ANNEX

to the report drawn up by Mrs S. MARTIN

on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

on the beef and veal sector

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY AFFAIRS AND INDUSTRIAL POLICY
OPINION

(Rule 101 of the Rules of Procedure)

of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy

Draftsman: Mr K. De Gucht

On 26 March 1985, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy appointed Mr De Gucht draftsman of the opinion.

The committee considered the draft opinion at its meeting of 25-27 June 1985 and adopted the conclusions by 11 votes to 6 with one abstention.

The following took part in the vote: Mr Seal, chairman; Mr De Gucht, draftsman; Mr Abelin, Mr Besse, Mr Beumer, Mr Bonaccini, Mr Chiusano, Mr Cryer (deputizing for Mrs Quin), Mr de Vries, Mr Falconer, Mr Herman, Mr Mihr, Mr Novelli, Mr Papoutsis (deputizing for Mr Mavros), Mr Raftery, Mrs Van Hemeldonck, Mr Visser (deputizing for Mr Metten) and Mr von WOGAU.
The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy

Whereas,

- the purport of Directive No. 83/90 (5 March 1983) is the harmonization and modernization of slaughterhouses in order to promote intra-Community trade in fresh meat,

- this directive can achieve the desired objectives only if the relevant provisions are uniformly interpreted and implemented in the Member States of the European Community,

- the relevant directive should be implemented in such a way that the slaughtering, conservation, processing and distribution of fresh meat is not put at risk, even in the economically weak areas and peripheral regions,

- all European slaughterhouses should have been adapted long ago by the proper implementation of this directive with a view to better protection of public health,

- the implementation of this directive must not lead to distortions of competition between the slaughterhouses, regions and countries,

- the implementation of this directive should not lead to less economic slaughterhouses being protected artificially from competition by other slaughterhouses,

- public funds should not be used to patch up uneconomic undertakings or promote the distortion of competition,

- it is the responsibility of the Commission to monitor the uniform implementation of Community legislation,

1. REQUESTS the Commission to keep the text of its provisions simple and unambiguous and to dispense with all superfluous details which have no direct relevance to the purpose of the directive.

2. Calls on the Commission to do everything possible to ensure that the directive is implemented simultaneously and uniformly in all Member States of the European Community.

3. CALLS on the Commission to endeavour to ensure with all the legal means at its disposal that all elements of the directive are applied.