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Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-46/81) for a directive amending Directive 79/695/EEC on the narmonization of procedures for the release of goods for free circulation, as a result of Greek accession

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By letter of 16 March 1981, the Council of the European Communities optionally requested the European Parliament to deliver an opinion by urgent procedure on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive amending Directive 79/695/EEC on the harmonization of procedures for the release of goods for free circulation, as a result of Greek accession.

Urgent procedure was rejected by the European Parliament at its sitting of 8 April 1981.

The President of the European Parliament referred the proposal to the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs; at its meeting of 15 April 1981 the committee appointed Mr von Wogau rapporteur.

The committee considered the motion for a resolution at the same meeting, and adopted it unanimously.

Present: Mr Delors, chairman; Mr de Ferranti, Mr Macario and Mr Deleau, vice-chairmen; M von Wogau, rapporteur; Mr Baduel Glorioso (deputizing for Mr Piquet), Mr von Bismarck, MR Delorozoy, Miss Forster, Mr Herman, Mrs Lizin (deputizing for Mr Ruffolo), Mr Mihr and Mr Purvis.



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The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution together with explanatory statement:

MOTION FOR A 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 Directive 79/695/EEC on the harmonization of procedures for the release of goods for free circulation, as a result of Greek accession.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission (COM(80) 817 tinal),
- having been optionally consulted by the Council (Doc. 1-46/81),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (Doc. 1-166/81),
- 1. Approves the Commission's proposal.

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

- 1. The aim of this proposal is to adjust the voting rules in the 'Committee on General Customs Rules' to take account of the accession of Greece (see Article 146 of the Act of Accession).
- 2. However, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs fails to see why the Council has requested the European Parliament to deliver an opinion on this proposal by urgent procedure, since although Council Directive 79/695/EEC was adopted on 24 July 1979, it has not yet entered into force, its implementation (see Article 27) being subject to the adoption of a separate regulation (on the conditions under which a person is permitted to make a customs entry); this regulation has not yet been adopted.

However, the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs is currently considering a proposal whose aim is precisely to amend the provisions governing the implementation of this Directive (Doc. 1-86/81).