REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture

on the Recommendation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 1-797/81) for a Decision concerning the conclusion of an Agreement on Fisheries between the Government of Canada and the European Economic Community

Rapporteur: Mr GAUTIER
By letter of 24 November 1981, the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the recommendation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision concerning the conclusion of an Agreement on Fisheries between the Government of Canada and the European Economic Community.

The President of the European Parliament referred this recommendation to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible.

The Committee on Agriculture appointed Mr Gautier rapporteur.

The Committee considered this recommendation at its meeting of 1/2 December 1981 and at the same meeting unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

Present: Sir Henry Plumb, chairman; Mr Früh, Mr Colleselli and Mr Delatte, vice-chairmen; Mr Gautier, rapporteur; Mr Abens (deputizing for Mr Eyraud), Miss Barbarella, Mr Curry, Mr Helms, Mrs Herklotz, Mr Hord, Mr Jürgens, Mr Maher, Mr Mertens (deputizing for Mr d’Ormesson), Mr Nielsen, Mrs Nikolaou (deputizing for Mr Sutra), Mr Newton Dunn (deputizing for Mr Kirk), Mr Provan, Ms Quin, Mr Vgenopoulos, Mr Wettig and Mr Woltjer.

The explanatory statement will be presented orally.
The Committee on Agriculture hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the Recommendation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a Decision concerning the conclusion of an Agreement on Fisheries between the Government of Canada and the European Economic Community

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the recommendation from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(80) 887 final),
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-797/81),
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture (Doc. 1-832/81),
- having regard to the report drawn up by the Committee on Agriculture on the same recommendation and adopted by the European Parliament on 9 April 1981 (Doc. 1-39/81),

1. Points out that the European Parliament in its report of 20 March 1981 has given its opinion on the Recommendation of the Commission to the Council concerning this Agreement;

2. Refers to the observations contained in that report;

3. Notes that the Council has agreed that the Agreement with Canada should be approved;

4. Considers the present procedures for the information and consultation of the European Parliament on fisheries agreements to be completely unsatisfactory; and requests that the European Parliament, Commission and Council draw up proposals for the necessary improvement.

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