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Report

drawn up on behalf of the Committee on the Environment Public Health and
Consumer Protection

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the
Council (Doc. 497/75) for a directive concerning the dumping of wastes at sea

Rapporteur: Lord BETHELL

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English Edition

By letter of 22 January 1976 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty, to deliver an opinion on the proposal for a Council directive concerning the dumping of wastes at sea.

The President of the European Parliament referred this proposal on 30 January 1976 to the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection as the committee responsible.

On 16 February 1976 the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection appointed Lord Bethell rapporteur.

It considered this proposal at its meetings of 22 March, 27 April, 18 May and 29 June 1976.

At its meeting of 29 June 1976 the committee adopted the motion for a resolution by 7 votes to 1 with 5 abstentions.

Present: Mr Della Briotta, chairman; Lord Bethell, vice-chairman and rapporteur; Mr Pierre Bertrand, Mr Brégégère, Mr Delmotte, Mr Guerlin, Mr Liogier, Mr Martens, Mr Ney, Mr Noè, Mr Seefeld (deputizing for Mr Adams), Mr Springorum and Mr Walkhoff.

The explanatory statement will be presented orally by the rapporteur.



The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection 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 proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a directive concerning the dumping of wastes at sea

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council¹,
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 100 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 497/75),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection (Doc. 216/76),
1. Recognizes that marine pollution remains a very important threat to the natural environment;
 2. Notes that all coastal Member States have signed various International Conventions that already exist on the dumping of wastes at sea, but that not all of these Member States have ratified them;
 3. Considers that the present directive provides a means of implementation at Community level of these International Conventions;
 4. Approves the proposed directive.

¹ OJ No. C 40, 20.2.1976, p.3

