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adopted in Istanbul

on 10 September 1973

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
EEC-TURKEY JOINT PARLIAMENTARY
COMMITTEE

Istanbul, 10 September 1973

Mr Cornelis BERKHOUWER

President of the European Parliament

European Centre - Kirchberg

LUXEMBOURG

Dear Mr President,

We enclose the text of the decisions adopted on 10 September 1973 in Istanbul by the Joint EEC-Turkey Parliamentary Committee at the end of its 16th Session.

Yours sincerely,

Cahit KARAKAS Vice-Chairman Ludwig FELLERMAIER Chairman in Office

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FINAL COMMUNIQUE

The EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee, meeting at Istanbul from 7 - 10 September 1973, under the Chairmanship of the Chairman-in-Office Mr Ludwig FELLERMAIER, and the Joint Chairman Mr Aydin YALÇIN,

- after participating on 6 September 1973 in the European Day of the International Fair at Izmir,
- having heard Mr Umit Haluk BAYULKEN, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Turkish Government and President-in-Office of the EEC-Turkey Association Council representing the Turkish Government, Mr Ivar NØRGAARD, External Economic Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark and President-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities, and Mr Carlo SCARASCIA-MUGNOZZA, Vice-President of the Commission of the Communities,

has adopted the following recommendation which has been forwarded to the Association Council, the Council and Commission of the European Communities, the Turkish Government, the Grand National Assembly of Turkey and the European Parliament.

RECOMMENDATION

THE JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE,

- meeting in its 16th Session at Istanbul from 7 10 September 1973, the year of the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of the Republic of Turkey and of the tenth anniversary of the Association,
- reaffirming on this occasion the principles of liberty, democracy and cooperation between peoples which are the foundations on which the European Community and the Association are built,
- stressing the ever-growing development of economic, social and human relations between Turkey and the countries of the European Community, symbolized by the completion of the construction of the first bridge linking Europe and Asia.
- recalling that the association between Turkey and the European Community must develop progressively through the harmonization of specific economic policies in every field in order to achieve the final goal of the inclusion of Turkey in the task of European integration,
- 1. Welcomes the signature on 30 June 1973 of the Supplementary Protocol adapting the Association to the enlargement of the Community and also the condusion of the interim Agreement providing for the anticipated entryinto force of the commercial provisions of the said Protocol;
- 2. Insists that the Supplementary Protocol should be speedily ratified and that the Interim Agreement should come into force as soon as possible;
- 3. Considers, however, that such measures, although favourable to the development and commercial promotion of Turkish products, can only constitute a first step towards a genuine and rapid strengthening of commercial relations between Turkey and the Community;
- 4. Underlines in this connection the anxieties expressed by the Turkish delegation about the increase in Turkey's deficit in the balance of trade with the EEC:
- 5. Strongly stresses yet again the importance for Turkey of her inclusion, from 1 January 1974 at the latest, among the countries benefiting from the Community system of generalized preferences;
- 6. Recognizes the need to accelerate the tempo of industrialization in Turkey;
- 7. Invites the Council of the Association to take positive initiatives to this end whilst taking account also of the new possibilities offered by the Supplementary Protocol with a view to assuring a flexible application of the provisions of the Additional Protocol in accordance with the economic needs of Turkey's development plans;
- 8. Again emphatically requests the Council of the Association to take, in accordance with the powers which it already possesses by virtue of the Additional Protocal, all appropriate measures to tackle the increasing problems of Turkish workers employed in the countries of the Community;

- 9. Considers that the actions of both the Community and Turkey should promote:
 - the improvement of the professional training of the Turkish workers
 - greater participation by the migrant workers in the trade union life of the host countries
 - equal rights for Turkish workers to benefit from social security systems in the host countries
 - the reuniting of families
 - the improvement of the children's educational conditions and the study of the possibility of setting up crêches and nursery schools;
- 10. Welcomes the assurance that the information office of the Communities in Turkey will be opened before the end of the year, believing that it will make a useful contribution to the strengthening of relations between the two parties.

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