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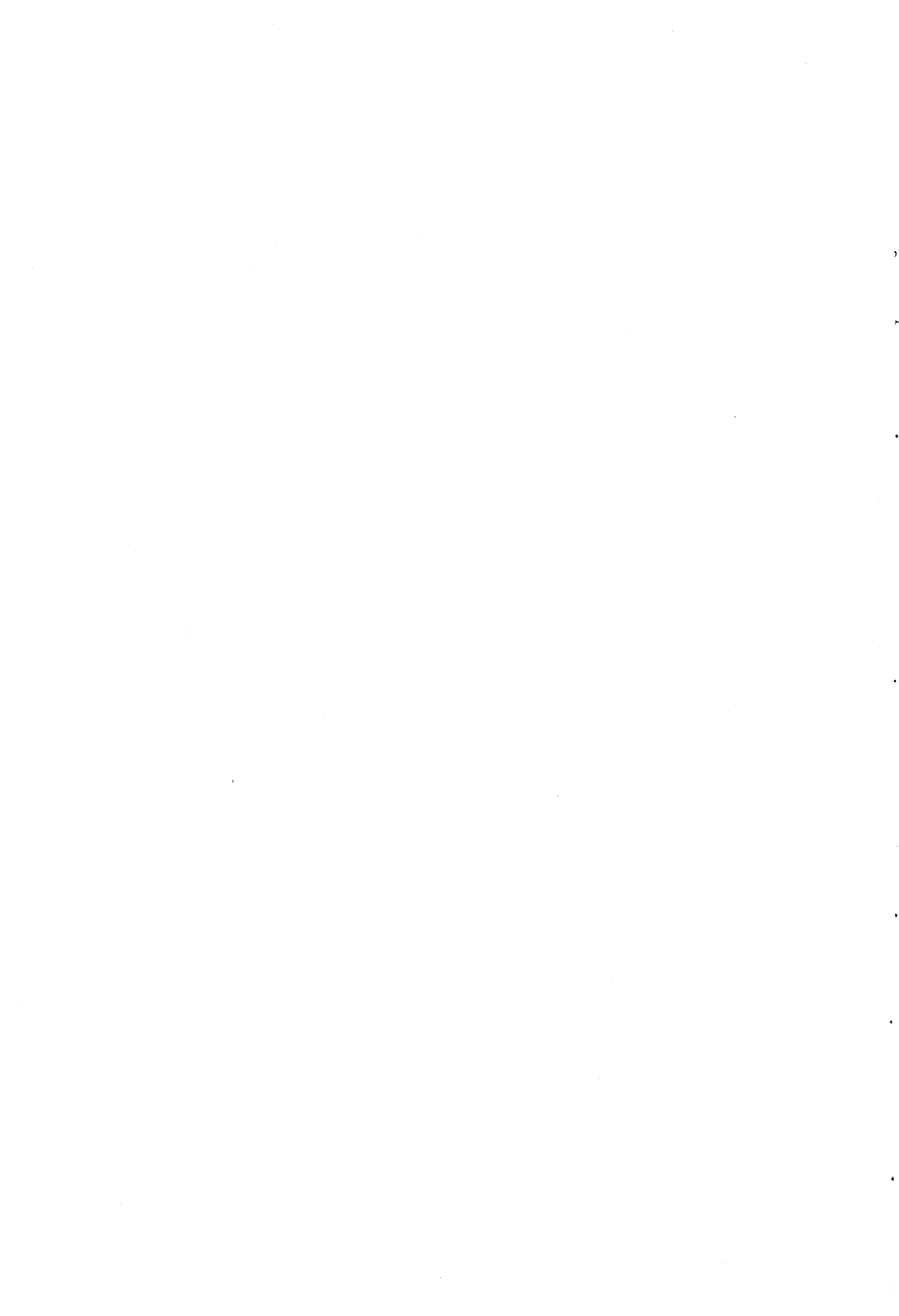
of the

EEC – TURKEY Joint Parliamentary Committee

Adopted in Ankara

on 19 September 1975

PE 41.605



Ankara, 19 September 1975

Mr Georges SPENALE
President of the European Parliament
European Centre
LUXEMBOURG

Dear Mr President,

We have pleasure in enclosing the text of the recommendations adopted on 19 September 1975 in Ankara by the EEC - Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee at the close of its XXth meeting.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd.)
Frankie HANSEN
Chairman-in-Office

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Kamran INAN
Chairman

XXth MEETING 15-20 SEPTEMBER 1975

ANKARA

Final communiqué

The Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC/Turkey Association met at Ankara under the chairmanship of Mr Frankie HANSEN, chairman of the Delegation of the European Parliament, and Mr Kâmrân INAN, chairman of the Delegation of the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

The meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Committee opened with an address by Mr Suleyman DEMIREL, Prime Minister of the Turkish Republic. Mr Tekin ARIBURUN, President of the Senate, Mr Kemal GUVEN, President of the National Assembly, Mr Turan FEYZIOGLU, Vice-Prime Minister, Mr Seyfi OZTURK, Minister-in-Office for Foreign Affairs and Minister of State, Mr Yilmaz ERGENEKON, Minister of Finance and Mr Mahir ABLUM, Minister for Social Security were present.

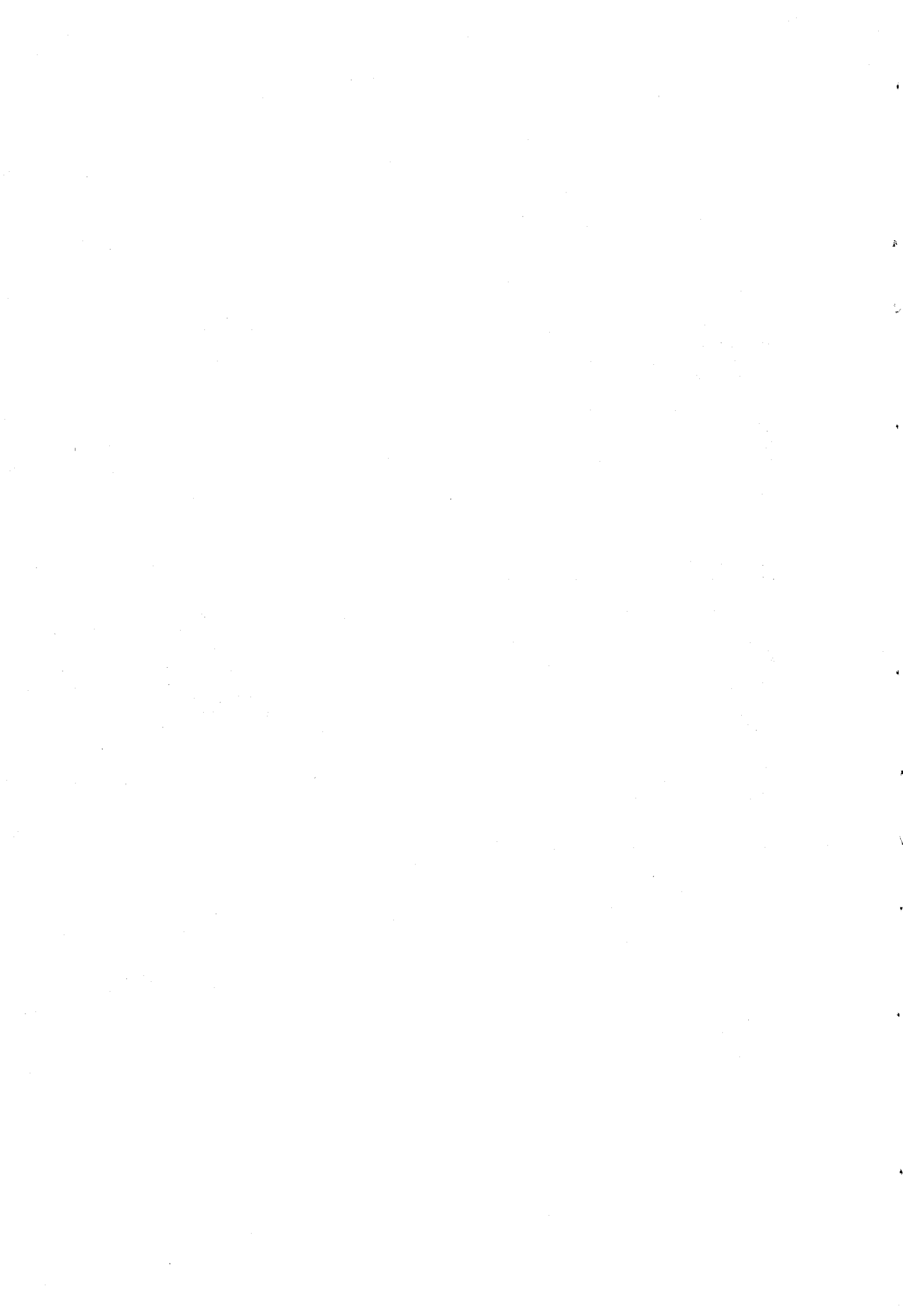
The Joint Parliamentary Committee expressed its deepest sympathy to the Republic of Turkey for the tragic earthquake of the 6 September 1975, and welcomed the Community's decision to send emergency aid.

In the course of its discussions in which Mr Sükrü ELEKDAG, Secretary-General of the Foreign Affairs Ministry, Representative of the Turkish government and President-in-Office of the EEC/Turkey Association Council, Mr Adolfo BATTAGLIA, Under-Secretary of State of the Italian Foreign Affairs Ministry and President-in-Office of the Council of the Communities and Mr Carlo SCARASCIA-MUGNOZZA, Vice-President of the Commission of the European Communities took part, the members of Parliament discussed a number of political, economic and social questions connected with the EEC/Turkey Association.

The members of the Parliamentary Committee particularly stressed the need for balanced development of the Community's relations with Greece and with Turkey, with particular regard to Greece's application for membership. They also repeated their urgent desire for negotiated solutions to the Cyprus question and the problems in the Aegean.

The discussions also centred on the consideration of the 10th annual report on the activities of the Association Council, a statement on questions relating to the development of the Association, and reports by both delegations on the problems of the schooling of the children of Turkish workers in the countries of the European Community.

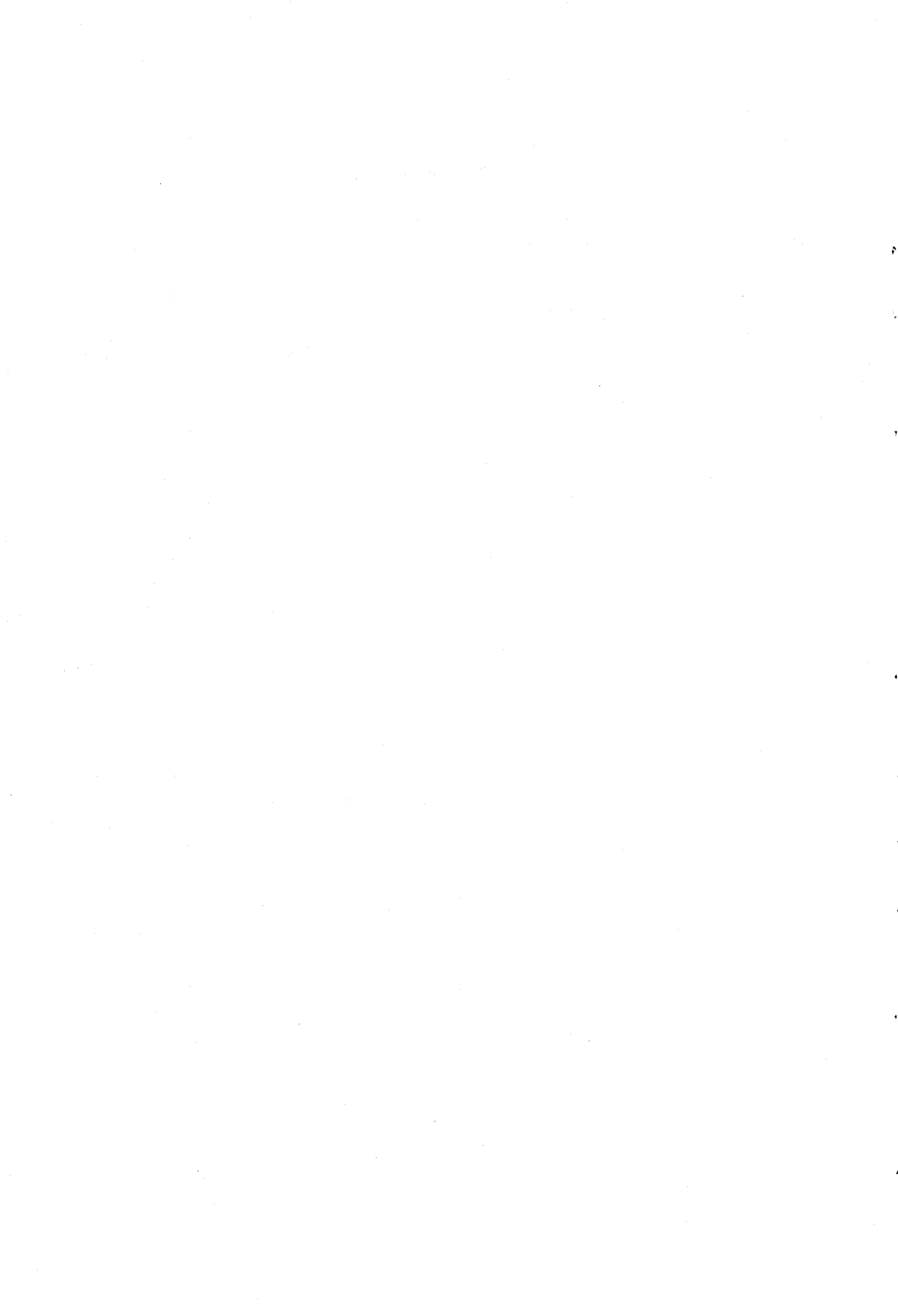
At the end of its deliberations the Joint Parliamentary Committee adopted the following recommendations:



RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee

- having regard to Recommendation No. 1 adopted at both its 18th and 19th meetings,
 - stressing that the problems of the eastern Mediterranean and the Aegean area are still unsolved,
 - noting the application for admission to the European Communities submitted by the Greek Government on 12 June 1975,
1. Stresses, therefore, the utmost importance of political consultations between Turkey and the European Communities, for the sake of their mutual, close and sound relations and regrets that no constructive development has yet been brought about in this context in spite of its repeated request;
 2. Voices its disappointment that direct talks between the parties involved have as yet produced no solutions to the pressing problems of Cyprus and hopes that these talks will soon produce positive and constructive results in finding a negotiated settlement;
 3. Reiterates its request with regard to Cyprus that permanent negotiated solutions should be worked out, without any further delays, on the basis of a sovereign, independent State and of the equality of both communities on the island;
 4. Expresses the wish with regard to the problems of the Aegean area, especially the delimitation of the continental shelf and the reopening of the Aegean airspace, that the two countries, both of them associated with the EEC, should resume the talks already begun;
 5. Expresses the strong wish that any possible enlargement of the European Communities should have no influence on the favourable development of relations between the EEC and Turkey and future full membership of Turkey in the European Community, as laid down by agreement;
 6. Urges the EEC-Turkey Association Council and the Council and Commission of the European Communities to keep a close watch on the balanced development of relations with the two partner countries, Greece and Turkey.



RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

The EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee

- having regard to the Tenth Annual Report on the Activities of the Association Council;
- with reference to the interim agreement on the advanced application of the trade provisions of the Supplementary Protocol which came into effect on 1 January 1974;
- stressing the necessity to reach the adoption of a preferential regime for Turkey that will accord her a more advantageous treatment in comparison with that given by the EEC to the third countries;
- with reference to Article 53 of the Additional Protocol (information and consultation in the field of trade policy);
- having regard to the statements by the President-in-Office of the Association Council and representatives of the Council and Commission of the European Communities;
- with reference to its Recommendations Nos. 2 and 3 at its 19th meeting held in Copenhagen;

Institutional aspects and problems arising from the Association

1. Reiterates its hope that the work of the Association organs will be stepped up in order that the provisions of the relevant Agreements may be more effectively implemented;
2. Hopes to see a greater measure of reciprocal information and consultation on the coordination of the trade policies of the Association partners pursuant to Article 53 of the Additional Protocol;
3. Urges the Member States and Turkey to expedite the ratification procedure for the entry into force of the Supplementary Protocol, in order that the provisions laid down therein may be implemented to the benefit of the parties concerned;



Recommendation No. 3

The EEC-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee

- referring to Recommendation No. 4 adopted at its 19th sessions;
 - insisting on the fact that the schooling of children of migrant workers is an essential element of Turkey's and the Community's social policy;
1. Underlines the fact that the principle of the equality of all workers with regard to schooling, to opportunities for vocational training and employment demands that greater efforts should be made in the host countries to organise systematically specific courses for children of Turkish workers;
 2. Requests that adaptations of the school system in the host countries should tend both to integrate Turkish children into the school and social systems of the host countries and give them the opportunity of being reintegrated in their home countries;
 3. Requests that in view of this dual purpose, the possibilities for profitable schooling should be improved
 - at pre-school level, through increased use of kindergartens, which could be achieved particularly by the provision of more adequate information by the authorities of the host country and by the consular services,
 - at primary school level, through accelerated teaching of the language of the host country with up-to-date teaching methods to facilitate rapid integration in the normal school curriculum;
 - at secondary school level through transition classes which enable the children to proceed to this school level and to technical schools;
 4. Asks that the training of the teachers of the countries of origin and of Turkey should be improved and that the necessary means for close and continuous cooperation should be made available to them.

5. Asks that, with the collaboration of the teachers, school textbooks adapted to the needs of Turkish children should be provided and that, at the same time, the teaching and cultural material necessary for the maintenance of their native culture should be made available.
6. Requests the Association Council to urge the Member States of the Community to undertake without delay the measures proposed by the Commission of the Communities, and the Turkish Government to cooperate actively in their implementation.