Youth: including Turkey among the beneficiary countries of the 3rd phase of the "Youth for Europe" programme

1996/0131(COD) - 12/07/1999 - Council position

The Council's common position took up the majority of the amendments approved by the European Parliament in its first reading. These relate to : - the accession of Turkey to the third phase of the Youth for Europe programme (2000-2004) according to procedures yet to be agreed, - the strengthening of links between young people in the Community and in Turkey and staff accompanying them while respecting their linguistic, educational and cultural diversity and the rights of minorities, - informing the Parliament on the various measures taken to implement this participation. The Council did not take up the Parliament's formulation of 'bearing in mind the need to ensure fair representation of minorities' because it felt that it might convey the idea of specific quotas.