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The committee adopted the report by Johannes SWOBODA (PES, A) broadly approving the proposal under the consultation procedure, subject to just three amendments: - the grant from the Community should be seen in the light of the overall contributions, including those from Member States, and should be subject to the annual budgetary procedure; - transferring the appointing competence of the Special Coordinator from the Council to the Commission should be accompanied by closer involvement of Parliament, and the procedure to follow for the consultation of Parliament's relevant committee should reflect the procedure already established for similar cases of consultation of the EP. The candidate nominated by the Commission should therefore be invited to make a statement before the comittee. Based on the outcome of that hearing, the Parliament shall make a recommendation to the Commission; - a deadline should be established for the duration of the Special Coordinator's term of office. S/he should therefore be appointed on an annual basis.