Additional levy in the milk and milk products sector (amend. regul. 3950/92/EEC)

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The committee voted this morning to accept the report by Mr DEBATISSE (EPP, F) on the 1994 agricultural prices package with the exception of the part dealing with the dairy sector. As was noted before, Mr DEBATISSE points out in his report that the 1994/95 marketing year will be the second year of the transitional stage leading to the full implementation of the 1992 CAP reform. Thus, these proposals represent a 'mini-package' of measures, making changes only where considered essential. However, this adherence to 'the letter of the law', argues the rapporteur, cannot hide the fact that the only concern underlying the 34 proposals for regulations is of a budgetary nature. Therefore, in general the amendments put forward by the rapporteur to the Commission's proposals aim to alleviate their negative impact on farmers' incomes. This is seen as particularly important in view of the double blow dealt to European agriculture by CAP reform and the GATT agreement. Significant amendments were adopted in the beef meat, dried fodder, durum wheat and linseed oil sectors.