Impact of the liberalisation and economic reforms process on economic growth in the European Union

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The committee adopted the own-initiative report by Carles-Alfred GAS·LIBA I BÖHM (ELDR, E) backing the Council·s aim of making the EU the most dynamic area in the world by 2010 and making Europe·s industry more competitive. The report supported ·balanced· liberalisation but noted that European businesses still had to overcome over-regulation and excessive bureaucracy. More needed to be done to encourage the development of SMEs, and the committee called for a private company statute to help SMEs. It also supported reform of the labour market, particularly through measures to increase training and promote mobility.