EC/South Africa agreement: scientific and technological cooperation agreement

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Umberto SCAPAGNINI's (UFE, I) report on the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and South Africa was adopted in the Committee. According to the rapporteur, the agreement represents a milestone in relations between the two partners. Cooperation may cover all research and technological development activities related to the fourth research framework programme. The indicative costs will be 0,1 MECU per year for the period 1997-2000. Mr. SCAPAGNINI strongly critizised the Commission for insufficiently informing Parliament of the progress of negotiations which led to the agreement.