EC/Mauritius fisheries agreement: protocol for the period from 3 December 1999 to 2 December 2002

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The committee adopted the report drawn up by Daniel VARELA SUANZES-CARPEGNA (EPP/ED, E) under the consultation procedure approving, with a few amendments, the protocol to the agreement between the European Community and the Government of Mauritius on fishing off the Mauritian coast for the period 3 December 1999 to 2 December 2002. The report welcomed the fact that the new protocol to the agreement was more detailed than its predecessor but criticised the fact that the Commission had not provided Parliament with information which would have allowed a serious assessment and enabled Parliament to present an opinion before the start of negotiations on renewal. The amendments adopted by the committee included demands for Parliament to be kept better informed in future. The Commission was asked to submit a general assessment report, including a cost benefit analysis, on the protocol as well as a copy of the annual report on the implementation of targeted measures which the Mauritian authorities would be required to send to the Commission.