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The Parliament adopted its resolution, drafted by Ms. Magdalena HOFF (PES, Germany), concerning Poland's progress towards EU accession. The resolution welcomes the rapid progress made on meeting the acquis communautaire, while noting that privatisation of large state-owned companies and overhaul of the farming sector must continue apace. The environment is a particular concern and Poland's legislation on air, water, noise and chemical pollution must be tightened up. Some amendments call for the extension of the Phare programme to the social field and stress the importance of anti-corruption measures. Poland's progress in the economic sphere, on the new penal code, the nomination of a commissioner on the rights of citizens was praised, although some concern was expressed concerning progress in the environmental field.