TACIS: assistance to the New Independent States of the former USSR and Mongolia (amend. regul. 2053/93/EEC)

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In adopting the report by Mr Peter PEX (PPE, NL), Parliament sharply criticized the Council which, fifteen months after the Commission proposal, had resumed contact with Parliament (requesting urgent procedure) for a new consultation on the TACIS regulation. Mr PEX noted that the Commission had taken over twenty seven of the thirty six amendments tabled by Parliament and wondered why the Council not only rejected these amendments, but refused even to discuss them. Expressing the hope that the TACIS regulation would be adopted before July, Mr PEX urged the Council, pursuant to the 1975 declaration on the conciliation procedure, to seek all means of reaching complete agreement with Parliament on this regulation within the time still available, and said the Council would be to blame for any failure. The Council, for its part, justified its refusal to consider Parliament's amendments on the basis of an urgent need to implement the TACIS regulation. Conscious that the compromise it had reached on 29 January 1996 was already fragile, it considered that calling it into question would make it impossible for the Council yet again to produce a new text and would therefore delay the implementation of the regulation.