EC/Cyprus agreement: participation in a Community programme within the framework of the Community audiovisual policy programme MEDIA II

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Adopting the report by Mr Philippe MONFILS (ELDR, B), the European Parliament approved the conclusion of a bilateral agreement between the Community and the Republic of Cyprus on the Republic of Cyprus' participation in a Community programme within the framework of Community audiovisual policy. In its amendments, the European Parliament welcomed the fact that Cyprus had transposed in full the directive "Television without Frontiers" (Directive 97/36/EC) into national law and had incorporated Community acquis in the audiovisual field. Parliament also stressed that consideration of Cypriot projects reflected the determination of the European Union to promote the European audiovisual sector while respecting cultural diversity. Moreover, participation by Cypriots in the training section of the MEDIA programme will enable the young generation of Cypriots to establish trans-European links that will play a role in future attainment of peace for Cyprus.