European Monitoring centre on Racism and Xenophobia: cooperation with the Council of Europe, EC agreement

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In adopting without debate the report by Mr Glyn FORD (PSE, UK), the European Parliament approved the proposal to conclude an agreement between the European Community and the Council of Europe for the purpose of establishing close cooperation between the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia and the Council of Europe. In its few amendments, Parliament called for the European Monitoring Centre and the Council of Europe, and in particular the Commission's Secretariat against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), scrupulously to respect Community provisions on data protection. It added to the fields of cooperation between the two bodies (work programmes, combating racism within the Union and in the applicant countries). It called for the Management Board of the Monitoring Centre to appoint an independent person from the Centre's Management Board to serve among the Members of the ECRI.