External borders, visas, asylum and immigration: action programme 2002-2006 for administrative cooperation ARGO

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Arie OOSTLANDER (EPP-ED, Netherlands) on ARGO (administrative cooperation in the fields of external borders, visas, asylum and immigration.). (Please refer to the document dated 19/03/02). Parliament stated that Communitarisation of EU responsibility for controls at the EU's external borders will become all the more important now that enlargement is scheduled to take place during the period in which ARGO will be operational. ARGO should, accordingly, be seen as a modest forerunner of more extensive activities in this field. An additional objective of the programme is to make preparations for a responsibility-sharing scheme in which Community responsibility for the EU's external borders would apply.