Citizenship of the Union. 3rd report

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution by Mr Carlos COELHO (EPP-ED, P) on the third Commission report on citizenship of the Union by 342 votes to 55 with 11 abstentions. (Please refer to the summary dated 18/06/02). In addition, the European Parliament calls on the Member States to remedy the many legislative discrepancies which continue to exist and which represent an obstacle to the full expression of European citizenship in the area of the status of the individuals (conditions for obtaining residence permits, implementation of the right to family reunion), justice (minimal procedural standards) and conditions of movement and residence for migrant workers (social security system, transfer of pension rights). Lastly, the Parliament calls on the Member States and their competent authorities to use educational programmes in order to encourage a better knowledge of Europe, particularly in the form of history and language teaching. It also calls for a Mobility Action Plan (MAP) to be adopted as a matter of urgency, in order to faciliatate and increase movement of students, volunteers, teachers and trainers.