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The European Parliament adopted the report by Mr Jan Marinus WIERSMA (PES, Nl) on Slovakia's membership application to the EU and the state of the negotiations. This resolution congratulates the progress made by Slovakia in the fields of constitutional and adminstrative reform. However, there is still need for improvement in its national minorities policy, particularly in the fields of language, education and culture. The Parliament trusts that the provisions of the Law on the Use of Minority Languages of 1999 will be implemented. Moreover, the Commission and the Council are called upon to make sufficient funds under Phare available to assist Slovakia in tackling these problems. Finally, the Parliament supports the agreement reached with the Commission to shut down the two reactor units of the Bohunice nuclear power plant in 2006 and 2008 respectively.