

Illegal immigration and trafficking in human beings: residence permit issued to victims

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Patsy SORENSEN (Greens/EFA, Belgium) on the Commission's proposal. (Please refer to the document dated 12/11/02.) The following amendments were also made: - when granting residence permits, Member States must consider granting family members accompanying the victim a residence permit; - Member States must ensure that their legal system provides for measures against traffickers which enable victims to secure recognition of the offence committed and/or compensation; - Member States must ensure that the victim is actually available to the authority responsible for the investigation or prosecution throughout the proceedings; - victims must have the opportunity to apply for protection under the asylum procedure of the Member State.