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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Rodi KRATSA-TSAGAROPOULOU on the Commission's report. (Please refer to the document dated 26/11/02.) Parliament also pointed out that women's NGOs with significant experience at national and regional level are encountering difficulties in taking part in European programmes (specifications, joint funding, etc). The Commission needed to revise its policy in this regard. Parliament went on to state that the Commission's new directive based on Article 13 should: - commit Member States to taking measures to ensure follow-up to the Beijing Action Platform; - provide for the adaptation of existing provisions to meet current needs, particularly in regard to balanced participation in decision-making, equality in the education systems, reconciliation of work and family life, combating violence, trafficking in human beings and the sexual exploitation of women; - enable positive action to be taken.