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The committee adopted the report by Friedrich-Wilhelm GRAEFE zu BARINGDORF (Greens/EFA, DE) approving - under the consultation procedure - the proposed regulation opening tariff quotas for imports into Bulgaria and Romania of raw cane sugar for supply to refineries in the marketing years 2006/2007, 2007/2008 and 2008/2009. It took the view that the possibility of importing sugar at preferential duties should apply for a clearly restricted period of time and therefore adopted an amendment stipulating that, from the marketing year 2009/2010, no tariff quotas should be allocated other than in relation to the ‘Everything But Arms’ initiative and preferential market access for ACP States.