Basic information

1994/2036(COS) COS - Procedure on a strategy paper (historic)	Procedure completed
Development issues and Objective 1 structural measures in Portugal. Report **Subject** 4.70.03 Community initiatives, Community support frameworks **Geographical area** Portugal	

Key players

European Parliament	**Committee responsible**	**Rapporteur**	**Appointed**
	REGI Regional Policy	CHICHESTER Giles (PPE)	26/01/1995
Council of the European Union			

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
25/02/1994	Non-legislative basic document published	31994D0170	Summary
31/01/1996	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
21/03/1996	Vote in committee		Summary
21/03/1996	Committee report tabled for plenary	A4-0087/1996	
04/09/1996	Debate in Parliament		
05/09/1996	End of procedure in Parliament		
23/09/1996	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure subtype	Commission strategy paper
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	REGI/3/05354

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A4-0087/1996 OJ C 152 27.05.1996, p. 0003	21/03/1996	
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Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
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1994/2036(COS) - 25/02/1994 - Non-legislative basic document

In accordance with the code of conduct concluded on 13 July 1993 between Parliament and the Commission, the Commission would forward, for information purposes, the 1994-1999 Community support framework for the structural development and adjustment of less-developed regions (Objective 1) in Portugal. The priorities were as follows: - improving the qualifications of human resources and promoting employment; - enhancing the factors that influenced the competitiveness of the economy; - promoting the quality of life and social cohesion; - strengthening the regional economy. The Community's contribution totalled ECU 13 980 million (Decision of 21 October 1993).

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1994/2036(COS) - 05/09/1996 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

In adopting the report by Mr Giles Bryan CHICHESTER (PPE, UK), the EP considered that, overall, the Structural Funds appropriations earmarked for Portugal have been used without departing from the objectives drawn up in advance and approved by the Community authorities, and that the CSF for Portugal for 1994-99 is part of a comprehensive strategy aimed at consolidating and further improving the achievements of the previous plan. However, in view of the priorities for assistance fixed by the Portuguese Government - which are very ambitious and difficult to achieve - the resolution points out the major difficulties and suggests ways of facilitating the achievement of the objectives set. The EP refers, inter alia, to: - the severe gaps in the education and training sectors, which should be remedied by a larger allocation from the Structural Funds; - the water supply problem, for the solution of which the policy already initiated should be continued, since it had an essential role in improving living standards, though it appeared over-ambitious in relation to the financial resources involved; - the high dependency on energy imports, in particular oil products, which called for a fundamental review of the country's energy supply plans. Finally, the EP noted the existence of worsening regional asymmetries, which intensify the depopulation of the country's outermost and interior regions, and proposed that they be tackled by local development and employment initiatives as well as cross-border cooperation between the eastern and northern Portuguese regions and their Spanish counterparts.