Basic information

2000/2021(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure	Procedure completed
Regulating domestic help in the informal sector **Subject** 4.10.09 Women condition and rights	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
FEMM Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities	SMET Miet (PPE-DE)	26/01/2000

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
EMPL Employment and Social Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
02/02/2000	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
10/10/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
10/10/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary	A5-0301/2000	
15/11/2000	Debate in Parliament		
30/11/2000	Decision by Parliament	T5-0540/2000	Summary
30/11/2000	End of procedure in Parliament		
13/08/2001	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2000/2021(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Procedure subtype	Initiative
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 55
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	FEMM/5/12425

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Document type	**Committee**	**Reference**	**Date**	**Summary**
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A5-0301/2000 OJ C 223 08.08.2001, p. 0004	10/10/2000	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T5-0540/2000 OJ C 228 13.08.2001, p. 0023-0193	30/11/2000	Summary

Regulating domestic help in the informal sector

2000/2021(INI) - 30/11/2000 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament has adopted the resolution by Mr Miet SMET (EPP/ED, B) that deals with domestic workers and the black economy. Firstly, the Parliament calls for a European definition of domestic work to be drawn up and for Member States to draw up and regularly update statistics on undeclared work. It states that this type of work should be recognised as an occupation in its own right, and there is a call for European rules to be established on the rights of these workers - at present the situation varies from country to country. The needs of the domestic worker should be considered when employment legislation is being drafted. The importance of all Member States introducing the principle of declaring all employment relationships is stressed and both employers and employees should be made aware of their rights under their employment relationship. Finally, Member States should link the issuing of visas for domestic employees working for diplomats to guarantee minimum level of working conditions.