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| 2011/2057(IMM) IMM - Members' immunity Request for the waiver of parliamentary immunity of Georgios Toussas Subject 8.40.01.03 Members' immunity | Procedure completed |

| Key players | | | | |
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| European Parliament | Committee responsible | | Rapporteur | Appointed |
| | JURI Legal Affairs | | ZWIEFKA Tadeusz (PPE) | 22/03/2011 |

| Key events | | | |
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| Date | Event | Reference | Summary |
| 21/11/2011 | Vote in committee | | |
| 25/11/2011 | Committee report tabled for plenary | A7-0410/2011 | Summary |
| 01/12/2011 | Decision by Parliament | T7-0524/2011 | Summary |
| 01/12/2011 | Results of vote in Parliament |  | |
| 01/12/2011 | End of procedure in Parliament | | |

| Technical information | |
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| Procedure reference | 2011/2057(IMM) |
| Procedure type | IMM - Members' immunity |
| Procedure subtype | Waiver of immunity |
| Legal basis | Rules of Procedure EP 6 |
| Other legal basis | Rules of Procedure EP 165 |
| Stage reached in procedure | Procedure completed |
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Request for the waiver of parliamentary immunity of Georgios Toussas

2011/2057(IMM) - 25/11/2011 - Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading

The Committee on Legal Affairs unanimously adopted the report by Tadeusz ZWIEFKA (EPP, PL) on the request for waiver of the immunity of Georgios Toussas (GUE/NGL, EL).

The request for waiver of the immunity of Georgios Toussas came from the Piraeus Court of First Instance in order to enable it to conduct the criminal proceedings started as a result of an alleged breach of trust resulting in damages exceeding EUR 147 000.

Mr Toussas, together with eight other persons, is charged of knowingly defrauding for the benefit of another party, by a sum in excess of EUR 147 000, the property of the Merchant Seamen's Fund (NAT), a legal entity under public law, the management of which he was entrusted with. The alleged fraud was committed by Mr Toussas acting as a member of NAT's Board and having, as such, a status of employee in the meaning of Greek criminal law.

In the course of his hearing by the Committee on Legal Affairs on 10 October 2011, Georgios Toussas raised the point that the criminal proceedings against him possibly constitute a political persecution directed at him. However the Committee has not found grounds for *fumus persecutionis* in this case.

As a result, the committee recommends that the European Parliament waives the parliamentary immunity of Georgios Toussas.

Request for the waiver of parliamentary immunity of Georgios Toussas

2011/2057(IMM) - 01/12/2011 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted a decision to **waive the immunity** of Georgios TOUSSAS (GUE/NGL, EL).

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Georgios Toussas raised the point that the criminal proceedings against him possibly constitute a political persecution directed at him. However, no grounds for *fumus persecutionis* were found in this case.

As a result, the European Parliament decided to waive the parliamentary immunity of Georgios Toussas.