

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1999/0823(CNS)	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Immigration: readmission of third-country nationals, obligations as between the Member States. Initiative Finland		
Subject		
7.10.02 Schengen area, Schengen acquis		
7.10.04 External borders crossing and controls, visas		
7.10.08 Migration policy		

Key players		
European Parliament		
Council of the European Union		
European Commission	Commission DG Justice and Consumers	Commissioner

Key events			
21/11/1999	Legislative proposal published	12488/1999	Summary
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18/04/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
17/04/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0110/2000	
18/05/2000	Debate in Parliament		
19/05/2000	Decision by Parliament	T5-0246/2000	Summary

Technical information	
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Additional information

European Commission

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PURPOSE : draft Regulation prepared by Finland to determine obligations as between the Member States for the re-admission of third country nationals. CONTENT : This initiative is taken as a result of the European Council meeting in Tampere on 15 and 16 October 1999, when it was agreed that consideration should be given to rules on re-admission as part of a common policy on immigration and asylum. It provides that the scope of the Regulation will apply to situations where a third country national does not fulfil the conditions for entry or residence in a Member State. The basic provisions state that the Member State that provided the valid residence permit or valid visa shall be obliged to re-admit the third-country national concerned. There are further provisions concerning cases where there is more than one permit or visa, or where these documents have expired. Cases of irregular entry and time limits for readmission are also dealt with. All transport costs up to the borders of the Member State obliged to re-admit are to be borne by the State requesting re-admission.?

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The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Anna KARAMANOY (PES, GR) rejecting the proposal for a regulation put forward by the Finnish Presidency on Member States' obligations in readmitting third-country nationals. The report stated that the Finnish initiative did not show any real strategic vision. The committee described the proposal as a 'Dublin-style' system for illegal immigrants (the Dublin Convention requires asylum-seekers to apply for asylum in the Member State where they enter the EU and to await the results of their application in that Member State) and felt that it created the impression that sending back illegal foreigners was a priority for the EU. The report suggested that the committee should remain in close touch with the Portuguese Presidency to see whether there might be any opportunity for Parliament to influence the content of the recommendations submitted to the Council for negotiating readmission agreements with certain countries of origin. ?

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The European Parliament adopted its report drafted by Anna KARAMANOY (PES, Greece) and rejected the initiative of the Republic of Finland on the readmission of third-country nationals.

The Parliament took the view that the initiative, both from the point of view of form and in terms of its substance, makes the consultation procedure of the European Parliament ineffective and inappropriate for achieving a satisfactory result.