


Procedure file

Basic information		
IMM - Members' immunity	2006/2145(IMM)	Procedure completed
Request to defend the parliamentary immunity of Mr. Janis Sakellariou		
Subject 8.40.01.03 Members' immunity		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	JURI Legal Affairs	PPE-DE LEHNE Klaus-Heiner	21/06/2006

Key events			
12/06/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
11/09/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
14/09/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary	A6-0273/2006	
20/09/2006	End of procedure in Parliament		
26/09/2006	Results of vote in Parliament		
26/09/2006	Decision by Parliament	T6-0359/2006	

Technical information	
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Procedure type	IMM - Members' immunity
Procedure subtype	Waiver of immunity
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 7
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	JURI/6/37917

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Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T6-0359/2006	26/09/2006	EP

Request to defend the parliamentary immunity of Mr. Janis Sakellariou

The committee adopted the report by Klaus-Heiner LEHNE (EPP-ED, DE) recommending that Parliament should defend the immunity and privileges of Mr Jannis SAKELLARIOU, a former Member of the European Parliament. The case relates to a civil action brought against Mr Sakellariou in Greece because of statements he made in a newspaper interview in 2001 when he was still an MEP. In 2003 the European Parliament decided to defend Mr Sakellariou's immunity, following which the plaintiff discontinued the proceedings. Now that Mr Sakellariou is no longer a Member of the European Parliament, the plaintiff has revived the proceedings. The committee concluded that the statements made by Mr Sakellariou were carried out in the performance of his political duties and that his parliamentary immunity should therefore be upheld.