

Procedure file

Basic information	
REG - Parliament's Rules of Procedure	2008/2016(REG)
EP Rules of Procedure, Rule 19: duties of the President, interpretation	Procedure completed
Subject	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AFCO Constitutional Affairs		18/01/2008
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Key events			
24/01/2008	Vote in committee		Summary
31/01/2008	Decision by Parliament	T6-0024/2008	Summary
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Technical information	
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Committee dossier	AFCO/6/58395

Documentation gateway				
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				Summary

EP Rules of Procedure, Rule 19: duties of the President, interpretation

By letter of 24 January 2008, the Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs gave the following interpretation of Rule 19(1):

'Rule 19(1) can be interpreted as meaning that the powers conferred by this Rule include the power to call an end to excessive use of motions such as points of order, procedural motions, explanations of vote and requests for separate, split or roll-call votes where the President is convinced that these are manifestly intended to cause and will result in a prolonged and serious obstruction of the procedures of the House or the rights of other Members'.

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The Parliament approved the interpretation at its sitting of 31 January 2008.