


Procedure file

Basic information		
RSP - Resolutions on topical subjects	2011/2960(RSP)	Procedure completed
Follow-up to the Durban climate change conference		
Subject 3.70.03 Climate policy, climate change, ozone layer 3.70.18 International and regional environment protection measures and agreements		

Key players			
European Parliament			
Council of the European Union			
Council configuration	Meeting	Date	
Environment	3139	19/12/2011	
European Commission			
Commission DG	Commissioner		
Climate Action	HEDEGAARD Connie		

Key events			
19/12/2011	Debate in Council	3139	Summary
18/01/2012	Debate in Parliament		Summary
18/01/2012	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information	
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Procedure type	RSP - Resolutions on topical subjects
Procedure subtype	Resolution on statement
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Follow-up to the Durban climate change conference

The Council had an exchange of views on the outcome of the 17th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), which took place from 28 November to 9 December in Durban, South Africa.

The EU was actively engaged in international negotiations before and during the Durban Conference and it was generally acknowledged that it played a key role in achieving the final agreement.

Although most Member States welcomed the outcome of the Conference, it was also generally agreed that this was just a first important step. The EU must keep the pressure and pursue its efforts to secure a legal framework for climate action which this time will engage all countries and which should be agreed upon in 2015 and enter into force in 2020.

Ministers and the Commissioner looked forward to the EU's work in coming months in order to formalise what was agreed in Durban and in order to facilitate a good start of the new negotiation cycle.

Follow-up to the Durban climate change conference

The House held a [debate](#), following on the Commission statement, on the follow-up to the Durban climate change conference.

The debate was not followed by the adoption of a resolution.