Resolution 27 (1953)[1]

Draft Treaty embodying the Statute of the European Community

Parliamentary Assembly

relating to the draft Treaty embodying the Statute of the European Community adopted by the Ad Hoc Assembly

The Assembly,

Having considered the draft Treaty embodying the Statute of the European Community adopted by the Ad Hoc Assembly, 10th March, 1953, and communicated to the Consultative Assembly in accordance with the Resolution adopted at Luxembourg, 10th September, 1952, by the six Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community;

Welcoming most warmly the spirit of co-operation and the keen desire to maintain the unity of all Member States of the Council of Europe which have led the Ad Hoc Assembly to adopt the proposals concerning Association and Liaison made in Resolution 26 of the Consultative Assembly adopted on 17th January, 1953,

Resolves concerning these two questions as follows :

I. Association

1. The Consultative Assembly accepts the provisions concerning Association contained in Articles 90, 91, 92 and 93 of the draft Statute of the European Community.

2. The Assembly, nevertheless, suggests that provision be made in the first paragraph of Article 91 for the participation in the Economic and Social Council of representatives of States which have concluded agreements of Association[2].

II. Links with the Council of Europe

3. The Consultative Assembly welcomes generally the provisions concerning the links to be established with the Council of Europe contained in the second Protocol appended to the draft Statute of the European Community.

4. The Consultative Assembly considers that the whole success of these proposals for establishing organic links between the European Community and the Council of Europe will depend largely in practice upon the realisation of the provisions of Article 6 and Article 7, paragraph 1, of the second Protocol. It therefore recommends that the provisions of these Articles be Implemented immediately upon the setting up of the European Community, in accordance with the terms of Section D of Opinion No. 3, as adopted by the Consultative Assembly on 30th September, 1052.

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1. This Resolution was adopted by the Assembly at its eighth Setting, 11th May, 1953 (see Doc. 147, Report of the Committee on General Affairs).
2. This proposal only applies to any period prior to the setting up of the Council contemplated in para. 2 of Article 51 of the draft Statute. The Assembly does not regard It as in any way an alternative to the Institutional link which that article would provide.