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## Notes après

## Adoption du rapport sur la concurrence

- Député européen (Verts, France) - Économie - Marchés financiers et harmonisation fiscale -



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The report was adopted with 315: 32-17 votes after heavy amendment in the Plenary. Despite some critical paragraphs retained or added. Majority of Green/EFA group voted in favour because of crucial points maintained/added. ELDR and PPE tried to further weaken the already weak (due to the same strategy of the same groups in EMAC) draft report. Most attempts failed by a close vote with a permanent split between the right side of the house (including Liberals) and the left (PSE, Green/EFA, GUE).

## The most important successes from our perspective were

PPE + ELDR failed by one vote to delete reference to services of general interest in paragraph 8 (am 10 rejected by 179:180:11)

Report now asks for clear rules for securing supply of services of general interest (adoption am 4 of PSE 192:177:4 - roll call vote);

Accession countries should be treated "equitably" taking onto account their problems of social cohesion (Green amendment 20 adopted by 190:178:6 roll call votes);

Paragraphs 24 and 25 of the original draft, regretting lack of speed in liberalisation in electricity and gas and stating support for rapid and uniform progress towards liberalisation of postal services, transport and energy, have been deleted (adoption am 5 and 6 PSE with 196:168:1 resp. 188:169:2 votes.

Amendment 23 of the Green/EFA, asking for quality of aid to be taken into account when assessing Member States aid practices, has been adopted by 192:166:5 votes.

## The negative points are mainly

We lost the call for accessing the employment impact in merger decisions (amendment 2 of PSE rejected by 170:193:9 in a roll call vote);

We were defeated on asking for priority being given to aid for climate protection (amendment 18 Green/EFA, 169:191:8);

We also lost our amendment 22 on urging the Commission to achieve acknowledgement of SIG on WTO level/negotiations (179:189:4 in a roll call vote);

Post-scriptum :

Voir la présentation de la situation.

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