

10. Armenian question

Doc. A2-33/87

RESOLUTION

on a political solution to the Armenian question

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Saby and others on behalf of the Socialist Group on a political solution to the Armenian question (Doc. 2-737/84),
- having regard to the motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Kolokotronis on the Armenian question and the declaration of 24 April as Armenian Genocide Day (Doc. B 2-360/85),
- having regard to the report of the Political Affairs Committee (Doc. A 2-33/87),

A. having regard to:

- the motion for a resolution by Mr Jaquet and others on the situation of the Armenian people (Doc. 1-782/81),
- the motion for a resolution by Mrs Duport and Mr Glinne on behalf of the Socialist Group on a political solution to the Armenian question (Doc. 1-735/83), and
- the written question by Mrs Duport on the Armenian question¹,
- the resolution of the Ministers with responsibility for Cultural Affairs, meeting within the Council of 13 November 1986 on the protection of Europe's architectural heritage,² including that outside the territory of the Community,

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- B. convinced that recognition of the identity of the Armenian people in Turkey as an ethnic, cultural, linguistic and religious minority follows on from recognition of its own history,
- C. whereas the Armenian side regards these events as planned genocide within the meaning of the 1948 UN Charter,
- D. whereas the Turkish State rejects the charge of genocide as unfounded,
- E. whereas, to date, the Turkish Government, by refusing to recognize the genocide of 1915, continues to deprive the Armenian people of the right to their own history,

¹OJ No. C 216, 16.8.1984, p. 10

²OJ No. C 320 of 13.12.1986, p.1