

European Parliament Resolution on the Community energy policy (20 February 1975)

Caption: On 20 February 1975, the European Parliament adopts a resolution in which it condemns the lack of cooperation among the Nine with regard to a common energy policy.

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to the results of the meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers of 20 and 21 January 1975 in the matter of energy policy,

1. Expresses its dismay at the results of this meeting of the Council;
2. Has been stressing for years that a Community energy policy is vital to the attainment of the objectives of the Treaty; since the beginning of the world energy crisis this policy has become a cornerstone of every other Community policy;
3. Has welcomed the Commission's determined efforts in the past to promote a common energy policy and has regretted on each occasion the Council's rejection or dilution of this policy;
4. Observes with deep concern that the governments of certain Member States appear to have lost the will to achieve a common energy policy, thus weakening considerably their own advocacy of European union;
5. Considers that, unless the Council acts on the decisions taken on energy policy by the conferences of Heads of State or Government held in Copenhagen on 14 and 15 December 1973 and in Paris on 9 and 10 December 1974, or on those taken in the meantime within the framework of subsequent international initiatives, the Parliament may feel obliged to suspend its cooperation in the field of energy policy within the framework of the consultation procedure;
6. Declares before the peoples of the Member States, from whom its mandate derives, that the governments or certain Member States and the Council are unwilling to do what is essential to guarantee the future of the Community and that of the Member States;
7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the Governments and Parliaments of the Member States.