

## European Parliament Resolution: excerpt on the seat of the institutions (16 December 1992)

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*The European Parliament,*

[...]

### **Seats of the institutions and bodies**

24. Expresses its astonishment that the European Council has taken a decision purporting to settle in detail locations for all the European Parliament's various activities, without even consulting Parliament itself;

25. Declares that any decision which permanently splits the European Parliament's activities between three different Member States conflicts with the Treaties, notably Articles 5, 142 and 216 of the EEC Treaty, and is contrary to the inherent right of a Parliament elected by direct universal suffrage to determine its own working methods so as to carry out its tasks in the most effective manner;

26. Considers that the decision on its seat may not impinge on its powers to run its own affairs in accordance with the Treaties and the case law of the Court of Justice; does not therefore consider itself bound by measures which would be contrary to the Treaties;

27. Condemns the absence of decisions on the seats of the other bodies, notably the Environmental Agency and the European Monetary Institute: in respect of the latter the European Council meeting in Maastricht had pledged to take a decision before the end of 1992;

[...]