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The European Parliament,

– having regard to Article 190(5) of the Treaty establishing the European Community and Article 108(4) of the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

– having regard to the Act concerning the election of the representatives of the European Parliament by direct universal suffrage, annexed to Council Decision 76/787/ECSC, EEC, Euratom of 20 September 1976, and in particular Articles 1 to 6 thereof, and to Council Decision 2002/772/EC, Euratom of 25 June 2002 and 23 September 2002 (¹) amending that Act,

– having regard to the Protocol on the privileges and immunities of the European Communities, and in particular to Articles 8, 9 and 10 thereof,

– having regard to the opinion of the Commission,

- having regard to Rule 163 of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs and the Internal Market and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (A5-0193/2003),

1. Adopts the decision on the adoption of the Statute for Members of the European Parliament (²);

2. Considers that the budgetary implications of the abovementioned decision are compatible with the ceiling of heading 5 ('Administrative expenditure') of the financial perspective, without restricting existing policies;

3. Calls on the Commission, pursuant to Article 48 of the EU Treaty, to submit a proposal to repeal Articles 8, 9 and 10 of the Protocol on privileges and immunities and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 4 of the 1976 Act;

4. Calls on the Council to give its approval;

5. Instructs its President duly to sign the Statute for Members and publish it in the Official Journal of the European Union (L series) as soon as the Council has given its approval;

6. Instructs its President to forward the decision on the adoption of the Statute for Members of the European Parliament, together with this resolution, to the Council and the Commission.

(¹) OJ L 283, 21.10.2002, p. 1. (²) P5_TA(2003)0236.