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Mr Hutchinson, Vice-Chairman, opened the meeting at 15.10.

1. **Adoption of draft agenda (PE 370 614)**

The Chairman announced a change to Item 4 as neither Mrs Kinnock nor Mrs Carlotti could attend.

The draft agenda was adopted as amended.

2. **Approval of minutes of meeting of 31 January 2006 (PE 369.064)**

The minutes were approved.

3. **Chairman's announcements**

The Chairman informed members that:

- On his first visit to Algeria, **the President of Parliament had described Algeria as a strategic ally of the European Union and had stressed the importance of the Barcelona process.** He had met the Presidents of the Senate and the National People's Assembly, at their invitation. He had also had a meeting with the President of Algeria.
- **Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly**
The next plenary session of the Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly would be held on 26 and 27 March.
- **Meeting of the Maghreb Electricity technical group on 7 April 2006, Brussels**
The Energy and Transport DG, in cooperation with the EuropeAid DG, was holding the first meeting of the Maghreb Electricity technical group in Brussels on 7 April 2006 as part of the regional pre-neighbourhood energy programme. This included provision for an integrated electricity market between the three Maghreb countries (Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia) and the European Union.

4. **Preparation for the visit to Mauritania from 2 to 5 May 2006 by a delegation working party** – Exchange of views with the Mauritanian Ambassador to the EU, H.E. Sidi Ould Khalifa

The trip to Mauritania had already been authorised by the Conference of Presidents for the week of 20 – 24 February 2006. As there was not enough preparation time, 2 – 5 May 2006 had been proposed instead. Authorisation had been requested for the new dates but the secretariat had not yet received the reply.

As the official responsible for the delegation, Mr Kraus, would be on mission during this period, secretariat services for the mission would be provided by Etienne Bassot and Danielle Jacques, officials working for the Committee on Development.

In view of the current rules and the Conference of Presidents' authorisation of 9 February 2006, the number of participants was limited to six (including the Chairwoman).

The Ambassador had sent a preliminary draft programme, which would be forwarded to members by e-mail.

The Ambassador stressed again the need to travel before the referendum in June 2006. Running through the programme, he urged the inclusion of a visit to Nouhadibou, Mauritania's economic capital. Negotiations between the Commission and Mauritania on a new fisheries agreement were getting under way; an agreement had to be reached before 10 April as the current agreement expired on 31 July. Another subject for discussion was clandestine immigration from Nouhadibou to the Canary Islands.

Oil exploration had begun. Oil resources were included in Mauritania's global budget.

Luis Yañez-Barnuevo García, John Attard-Montalto and Ģirts Valdis Kristovskis spoke.

5. Other business

Nothing to report.

6. Date and place of next meeting

The next delegation meeting would be held at the end of April in Brussels.

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The meeting closed at 16.10.

**DELTAGERLISTE/ANWESENHEITSLISTE/KATAΣΤΑΣΗ ΠΑΡΟΝΤΩΝ/RECORD
OF ATTENDANCE/LISTA DE ASISTENCIA/LISTE DE PRESENCE/ELENCO DEI
PRESENTI/PRESENTIELIJST/LISTA DE PRESENÇAS/LÄSNÄOLOLISTA/DELTAGARLISTA**

Til stede	Formandskabet/Vorstand/Προεδρείο/Bureau/Ufficio di Presidenza/Mesa/Puheenjohtajisto/J.L. Presidium: (*) Alain Hutchinson (VP, président f.f.)
Anwesend	Medlemmer/Mitglieder/Μέλη/Members/Diputados/Deputés/Deputati/Leden/Deputados/Jäsenet/ Ledamöter:
Παρόντες	Jean-Pierre Audy, Ģirts Valdis Kristovskis, Bogusław Sonik, Luis Yañez-Barnuevo García
Present	Stedfortrædere/Stellvertreter/?ναπληρωτές/Substitutes/Suplentes/Suppleants/ Membri supplenti/Plaatsvervangers/Membros suplentes/Varajäsenet/Suppleanter:
Presentes	
Présents	
Presenti	
Aanwezig	
Läsnä	
Närvarande	
Art. 178,2	
Art. 183,3	John Attard-Montalto
Endv. deltog/Weitere Teiln./ Συμμετείχαν επίσης/Also present Participaron igualmente/ Participaient également/ Hanno partecipato altresì/ Andere deelnemers/ Outros participantes/ Muut osallistujat/ Dessutom deltog	
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Ondervoorz./Vice-Pres./Vicepres/Vice ordförande.

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<p>Efter indbydelse fra formanden/Auf Einladung d. Vorsitzenden/Με πρόσκληση του Προέδρου/At the invitation of the Chairman/Por invitacion del presidente/Sur l'invitation du président/Su invito del presidente/Op uitnodiging van de voorzitter/A convite do Presidente/Puheenjohtajan kutsusta/ På ordförandens inbjudan:</p> <p>Radet/Rat/Συμβούλιο/Council/Consejo/Conseil/Consiglio/Raad/Conselho/Neuvosto/Radet: (*)</p> <p>Kommissionen/Kommission/Επιτροπή/Commission/Comision/Commissione/Commissie/Comissão/Komissio/ Kommissionen: (*)</p> <p>Cour des comptes: C.E.S.:</p>		
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<p>Udvalgssekretariatet Ausschußsekretariat Γραμματεία επιτροπής Committee secretariat Secretaria de la comisión Secrétariat de la commission Segretariato della commissione Commissiesecretariaat Secretariado da comissão Valiokunnan sihteeristö Utskottssekretariatet</p>		<p>Kraus</p>
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