to be given to the European networks of legal organisations and institutions, to the exchange programmes between legal authorities initiated by Parliament (notably under budget heading 18 05 01 03), and to new pilot schemes enabling the cooperation of agents or organisations in the Member States, with the objective of improving the quality of justice,

(h) call on the Commission immediately to incorporate the 'Quality Charter for Criminal Justice in Europe', the mutual evaluation mechanism and supplementary measures for the harmonisation of certain criminal provisions into the Action Plan which it is due to submit in 2005 in accordance with the Hague Programme; note, in this connection, that Parliament joins the European Council in recommending that the Commission adopt the provisions contained in the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe as the reference framework for the Action Plan;

2. Instructs its President to forward this recommendation to the Council and, for information, to the Commission, the governments and parliaments of the Member States, and the Council of Europe.

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European Parliament legislative resolution on the Council common position for adopting a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision No 1419/1999/EC establishing a Community action for the 'European Capital of Culture' event for the years 2005-2019 (12029/1/2004 — C6-0161/2004 — 2003/0274(COD))

(Codecision procedure: second reading)

The European Parliament,

— having regard to the Council common position (12029/1/2004 — C6-0161/2004),

— having regard to its position at first reading [1] on the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2003)0700) [2],

— having regard to Article 251(2) of the EC Treaty,

— having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,

— having regard to the recommendation for second reading of the Committee on Culture and Education (A6-0017/2005),

1. Approves the common position;

2. Notes that the act is adopted in accordance with the common position;

3. Instructs its President to sign the act with the President of the Council pursuant to Article 254(1) of the EC Treaty;

4. Instructs its Secretary-General to sign the act, once it has been verified that all the procedures have been duly completed, and, in agreement with the Secretary-General of the Council, to have it published in the Official Journal of the European Union;

5. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission.

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[1] Texts Adopted, 22.4.2004, P5_TA(2004)0361.
[2] Not yet published in OJ.