

Explanations of vote

- Report: Varela Suanzes-Carpegna (A6-0163/2006)

Ana Maria Gomes (PSE), in writing . (PT) I should like to vote in favour of a Fisheries Agreement between the European Community and Morocco, but I must vote against it. This is because amendments were not adopted that were aimed at excluding from the scope of the Agreement the waters and fisheries resources of Western Sahara, a non-autonomous territory under United Nations Resolutions 1514 and 1541, which has been occupied illegally by Morocco since 1974. Consequently, to my mind, the Agreement - and the corresponding legislative proposal by the Commission - violates international law.