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***EU-Israel Bilateral Relations
in the Framework of International and European Law.
The case of the European Community-Israel Association Agreement***

Hearing

**at the European Parliament, Thursday 20 June 2002
Meeting Room PHS 4B001
9 AM – 6 PM**

- What kind of bilateral relations does the EU have with Israel?*
- Why has the European Parliament voted a resolution calling for the suspension of the European Community-Israel Association Agreement?*
- Why did the Commission and the Council of the EU not take any measures in this respect?*
- Does the EU deal with partners countries equally of with double standards?*
- How might current EU-Israel relations affect the future of the European Union?*

Hosted by MEPs: Mrs. **Alima Boumédiène-Thiery** (Verts / ALE), Mrs. **Lousewies van der Laan** (ELDR), **Luisa Morgantini** (GUE / NGL), Mr. **Roy Perry** (PPE-DE), Mr. **Jannis Sakellariou** (PSE), Mrs. **Ulla Sandbæk** (EDD)

Please, find here enclosed the Programme of the Hearing.

Journalists who would like to have private interviews with invited speakers and participants are kindly invited to come between 11.30 and 12 AM, outside the meeting room, at the “Press Point”.

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