

Coordination of social security systems: amending Annexes

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The European Parliament adopted by 633 votes to 13, with 18 abstentions, a legislative resolution modifying, under the second reading of the codecision procedure, the Council's common position for adopting a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems, and determining the content of its annexes.

All the amendments relate to **Annex III** of the regulation, which contains a list of Member States which apply the "restriction of rights to benefits in kind for members of the family of frontier workers" in the competent Member State .

Given that the Council is unwilling to repeal Annex III, as called for by the Parliament, but instead proposes a review of this Annex no later than 5 years from the date of entry into force of the regulation, the Parliament feels that it should be made clear that, in principle, **the aim of this revision is to have Annex III repealed** (unless there are compelling reasons to do otherwise).

The possible repeal of Annex III should be based on the results of an impact assessment to be carried out five years after the entry into force of the regulation. That assessment should specify the significance, frequency, scale and costs, both in absolute and in relative terms, of the application of the provisions of Annex III and the effect of their possible repeal for those Member States which will still be listed in that Annex.