

Services in the internal market. Services Directive

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The Commission takes the view that the Common Position retains the key elements of the Commission's modified proposal, as well as taking on board most amendments adopted by Parliament at first reading. Overall the Common Position incorporates, either fully or in spirit, all of the European Parliament amendments, which were in turn accepted by the Commission. Although the drafting may be somewhat different the Council has nevertheless, sought to find solutions to Parliamentary concerns. In addition, the Common Position contains a number of additional new provisions that will enhance transparency and co-operation between the Member States and the Commission – which could prove instrumental in guaranteeing the proper implementation of the Directive. In short, therefore, the Commission supports the Common Position adopted by the Council.