


Procedure file

Basic information		
AVC - Assent procedure (historic) Decision	2006/0035(AVC)	Procedure completed
Car industry: approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original equipment, UN/ECE Regulation		
Subject 3.20.06 Transport regulations, road safety, roadworthiness tests, driving licence 3.40.03 Motor industry, cycle and motorcycle, commercial and agricultural vehicles		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	INTA International Trade		21/03/2006
		PSE BARÓN CRESPO Enrique	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	TRAN Transport and Tourism	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	IMCO Internal Market and Consumer Protection	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs2786		22/02/2007
	General Affairs	2755	17/10/2006
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs	VERHEUGEN Günter	

Key events			
12/03/2006	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(2006)0112	Summary
04/09/2006	Legislative proposal published	11523/2006	Summary
26/10/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
18/12/2006	Vote in committee		Summary
21/12/2006	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0473/2006	
01/02/2007	Results of vote in Parliament		
01/02/2007	Decision by Parliament	T6-0011/2007	Summary
22/02/2007	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
22/02/2007	End of procedure in Parliament		
09/03/2007	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	INTA/6/34890

Documentation gateway					
Initial legislative proposal		COM(2006)0112	13/03/2006	EC	Summary
Legislative proposal		11523/2006	05/09/2006	CSL	Summary
Committee draft report		PE380.761	25/10/2006	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0473/2006	21/12/2006	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0011/2007	01/02/2007	EP	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary		SP(2007)1016/2	27/02/2007	EC	

Additional information	
National parliaments	IPEX
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Decision 2007/160 OJ L 069 09.03.2007, p. 0039 Summary

Car industry: approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original equipment, UN/ECE Regulation

PURPOSE : to enable the Commission representative to vote on the draft Regulation on behalf of the Community at a forthcoming meeting of the UN/ECE World Forum for Harmonisation of Vehicle Regulations.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision.

CONTENT : by Council Decision 97/836/EC of 27 November 1997, the European Community became a Contracting Party to the 1958 Revised Agreement of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN/ECE). That Decision took effect on 24 March 1998.

Article 4 of that Decision stipulates, inter alia, that where a draft Regulation of the UN/ECE is submitted to a vote within the appropriate UN/ECE bodies, the draft in question must be approved by the Council, after obtaining assent from the European Parliament, before the Community can declare itself in favour of adopting the draft.

The agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the World Forum for Harmonisation of Vehicle Regulations of the UN/ECE will include, in particular, a vote on a (new) draft Regulation on partitioning systems for passenger cars in order to protect passengers against displaced luggage. The main purpose of the draft Regulation is to establish harmonised technical prescriptions, thereby avoiding the creation of technical barriers to trade in motor vehicles between the Contracting Parties, while ensuring a high level of safety and environmental protection.

Car industry: approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original equipment, UN/ECE Regulation

PURPOSE: to define the position of the Community in relation to the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non-original vehicle Equipment.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

CONTENT: The draft UN/ECE Regulation referred to above provides for the abolition of technical barriers to the trade of motor vehicles between the Contracting Parties with respect to these components, while ensuring a high level of safety and environmental protection.

The Community, represented by the Commission, shall vote in favour of the draft UN/ECE Regulation at a forthcoming meeting of the Administrative Committee of the UN/ECE World Forum for Harmonisation of Vehicle Regulations.

However, since the draft UN/ECE Regulation concerns the provision of non-original vehicle equipment, it should not become part of the Community system for the type-approval of motor vehicles.

Car industry: approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original equipment, UN/ECE Regulation

The committee adopted the report by its chairman, Enrique BARÓN CRESPO (PES, ES), recommending that Parliament give its assent to the draft Council decision on the position of the Community in relation to the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non-original vehicle equipment.

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drawn up by Enrique BARÓN CRESPO (PES, ES), and gave its assent to the Council decision on the position of the Community in relation to the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non-original vehicle equipment.

Car industry: approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original equipment, UN/ECE Regulation

PURPOSE: to enable the Commission representative to vote on the draft Regulation on behalf of the Community at the forthcoming meeting of the UN/ECE World Forum for Harmonisation of Vehicle Regulations.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision (2007/160/EC) on the position of the Community in relation to the draft Regulation of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe concerning the approval of partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage, supplied as non original vehicle equipment.

CONTENT: the draft UN/ECE Regulation concerning approval for partitioning systems to protect passengers against displaced luggage supplied as non-original vehicle equipment provides for the abolition of technical barriers to the trade of motor vehicles between the Contracting Parties.

The purpose of this Council Decision is to define the Community's position vis-à-vis the draft UN/ECE Regulation and the Community's vote. In effect the Decision states that the Community (represented by the Commission) will vote in favour of the draft UN/ECE Regulation. It also states that the UN/ECE Regulation will not become part of the Community type-approval system for motor vehicles.