## Application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgments in criminal matters imposing custodial sentences or measures involving deprivation of liberty for the purpose of their enforcement in the European Union. Framework Decision. Initiative Austria, Finland, Sweden

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Ioannis **VARVITSIOTIS** (EPP-ED, EL), and approved the draft Council Framework Decision on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgements in criminal matters imposing custodial sentences or measures involving deprivation of liberty for the purpose of their enforcement in the EU.

It made one amendment: a new recital states that procedural rights in criminal proceedings are a crucial element for ensuring mutual confidence among the Member States in judicial cooperation, and despite the efforts of the German Presidency, no agreement has thus far been reached following the presentation of a draft framework decision on procedural rights by the Commission, backed by the European Parliament at first reading.