External borders: simplified regime for the control of persons, based on the unilateral recognition by the Member States of certain residence permits issued by Switzerland and Liechtenstein, for the purpose of transit through their territory

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution based on the report drafted by Panayiotis **DEMETRIOU** (EPP-ED, CY) by 571 votes for, 24 against, and 26 abstentions. It made some amendments, under the 1st reading of the co-decision procedure, to the proposal amending Decision N° 896/2006/EC establishing a simplified regime for the control of persons at the external borders based on the unilateral recognition by the Member States of certain residence permits issued by Switzerland and Liechtenstein for the purpose of transit through their territory.

MEPs reinstated a certain number of original measures from the 2006 decision on the participation of Iceland and Norway to the regime, as well as the non participation of Ireland and the United Kingdom to the decision.