Common commercial policy: repeal of certain obsolete Council acts

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The European Parliament adopted by 621 votes to 1, with 3 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing certain obsolete Council acts.

Parliament adopted its position in first reading in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure. The amendments adopted in plenary are the result of a compromise negotiated between Parliament and Council, who amended the Commission proposal as follows:

Members propose to establish a distinction, in the recitals, between the acts in the area of the Union Common Commercial Policy which were adopted over the last decades and have exhausted all their effects, but remain technically into force, and the measures concerning certain States which have become obsolete following accession to the European Union.

The amendments stipulate that in addition, the repeal of the acts shall be without prejudice to: (a) the maintenance in force of Union acts adopted on the basis of those acts; and (b) the continuing validity of amendments made by the acts to other acts of Union law that are not repealed by this Regulation.