Common rules for imports from certain third countries. Recast

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The Committee on International Trade adopted the report by Jarosaw WASA (EPP, PL) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules for imports from certain third countries (recast).

The committee recommended the European Parliament to adopt its position at first reading, taking over the Commission proposal and taking account of the recommendations of the Consultative Working Party of the legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission.

According to the Consultative Working Party of the legal services of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission, the Commission proposal does not include any substantive amendments other than those identified as such in the proposal.

The Commission considered that in order to incorporate some substantive amendments, it was deemed necessary to transform the codification into a recast. As regards the substance of these proposals, they are largely technical corrections.

The main change resulting from the recast concerns updating the annex to remove countries which have now become members of the World Trade Organisation, namely Armenia, Russia, Tajikistan and Vietnam.