Operation of air services in the Community: technical adaptation

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The Committee on Transport and Tourism adopted the report by Claudia APARDEL (S&D, RO) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community.

The committee recommended that European Parliament's position adopted at first reading under the ordinary legislative procedure should amend the Commission proposal.

The Commission proposed to amend Art.13(3)(b) of Regulation N°1008/2008 and opening the possibility to lift the restrictive conditions applying to wet-lease agreements for aircraft registered in a third country when a specific wet-lease regime has been included in an international agreement concluded by the Union.

Parliament proposed for its part to grant the possibility to derogate from the restrictive conditions applicable to wet lease agreements for aircraft registered in a third country, where an international agreement on wet-leasing signed by the Union, on the basis of an existing Air Transport Agreement signed before 1 January 2008 provides for a specific wet-lease regime.

The amended text specified that in view of a possible revision of Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008, the proposed amendment should be limited in scope to aligning the Regulation with the international obligations.