Aviation safety with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union

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The European Parliament adopted by 658 votes to 8, with 4 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on certain aspects of aviation safety with regard to the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the Union.

The European Parliament adopted its position at first reading in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure.

The proposal aims to put in place a mechanism to temporarily extend the validity of certain aviation safety certificates (for 9 months) in the absence of a withdrawal agreement by the United Kingdom from the Union in order to allow sufficient time for the operators concerned and the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) to issue the certificates required by Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, in order to take into account of the United Kingdom's status as a third country.

The rules and obligations concerning certificates governed by the Regulation shall apply to both holders and issuers of certificates.

The Commission may adopt delegated acts in order to extend the period of validity of the certificates referred to in Section 1 of the Annex to the Regulation.

As regards the training of pilots and mechanics, the competent authorities of the Member States or EASA may, by way of derogation, take into account examinations taken in training organisations subject to oversight by the competent authority of the United Kingdom but which have not yet led to the issuance of the license prior to the date of application of this Regulation as if they had been taken with a training organisation subject to the oversight of the competent authority of a Member State.