Rail transport: interoperability of the trans-European conventional rail system

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In adopting the common postion concering the interoperability of the trans-European conventional rail system, the Council amended the Commission's proposal and adopted either fully or partially the amendments of the European Parliament. The main amendments of the European Parliament not adopted by the Council relate to the monitoring of the operation of installations of rolling stock, rules applicable to the common procedure and a uniform standard for tracks and electricity supply. The main amendments incoporated into the common position other than those based on the European Parliament's amendments are the following: - stress on the link between the development of railways and environmental protection; - the addition of references to the needs of people with reduced mobility.