Foodstuffs: labelling, presentation and advertising (amend. Directive 79/112/EEC)

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The rapporteur, Mr Schnellhardt (EPP, D), thought that the conciliation process had turned out very well for Parliament and, by extension, for the consumer. The most important amendments were to be taken over by the Directive, and more especially the derogations granted were to be included directly in the final text together with those provisions relating to starch. The rapporteur concluded by recalling that Commissioner Bangemann had been in favour of a proposal for a directive on the labelling of alcoholic products. Commissioner Monti declared that the Commission had been won over by the current compromise and had welcomed the improvement in the information being provided to consumers and the fact that this directive would promote the free movement of foodstuffs within the single market. Finally, he said that the Commission had undertaken to present a new proposal for a directive on the labelling of alcoholic drinks.