

Free movements of goods: exchange of information on national measures

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Commissioner PAPOUTSIS expressed his satisfaction with the convergence between Parliament and the Commission, which was reflected in the text of the amended proposal. He also noted that the proposal sought to establish a procedure requiring the Member States to notify the Commission of the introduction of national measures derogating from the principle of the free movement of goods in the Union. This procedure would make it possible to ensure that the cases of non-application of mutual recognition in the areas not harmonised at Community level were limited to a small number of situations. Mr PAPOUTSIS confirmed that the Commission was in the process of examining the specific problems affecting small and medium-sized enterprises in this respect with a view to finding adequate solutions.