

Road transport: recording equipment, tachograph

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Commissioner Kinnock stressed the need to improve drivers' social and working conditions. He also wanted to see fairer competition between all modes of transport. As regards the proposal's technical aspect, the Commission could not accept Amendments Nos 1, 2, 4 and 19 to 22 which aimed to reintroduce the technological solution indicated under the 1A option, as it considered that the other solution established under the 1B option was much more effective. Likewise, Amendment No 3 should be rejected as it was already covered by the joint declaration attached to the common position. Mr Kinnock also emphasised his view that the adaptation of old vehicles should not hinder the application of the regulation. Finally, the Commissioner stated that the Commission could accept Amendments Nos 5 to 17.