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The Council welcomed the Commission's Evaluation Report. It noted the conclusions of the report and recalled the European Parliament resolution of 5 October 2000 on the Commission Communication on the study of parental control of broadcasting, which stressed the need to introduce effective systems to protect minors from the increasing amount of harmful media content. The Council invited the Member States to: - continue promoting the Recommendation and to pay particular attention to the need to encourage users and consumers participation; - disseminate the results of the application of the Recommendation including users, consumers, industry and authorities in order to promote best practice and new skills. The Council invited the Commission to: - continue promoting the application of the Recommendation by facilitating the exchange of experience and good practice at Community level; - report to Council, with reference to the fact that two years may be a relatively short time for fully applying the Recommendation preferably before 31/12/02, on the outcome regarding the initiatives taken in Member States; - continue the dialogue with the different parties involved and particularly with industry, on the possibilities for implementing technical systems for parental control in the digital environment.