Free movement of persons: mobility for students, persons undergoing training, young volunteers, teachers, trainers

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The committee adopted the recommendation for second reading (codecision procedure) by Robert EVANS (PES, UK) broadly approving the Council's common position, subject to a small number of amendments. The committee accepted the Commission·s view that, unfortunately, researchers could not be included in the recommendation because of the legal basis. It also welcomed an important development since Parliament·s first reading, i.e. the Action Plan on Mobility agreed by the Council in December 2000. The amendments adopted by the committee were intended to clarify what follow-up action was expected of both the Commission and the Member States, to take due account of the Action Plan on Mobility and to remove from the Council·s text the potentially harmful restriction whereby a temporary stay in the host state would be restricted to "one year in principle".