Safety and security at work: protection from the risks related to exposure to asbestos (amend. Directive 83/477/EEC)

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The committee adopted the report by Elisa DAMIAO (PES, P) amending the Council's common position under the 2nd reading of the codecision procedure. It reinstated two amendments adopted by Parliament at 1st reading which had not been taken up by the Council, relating to appropriate breaks for workers using individual breathing equipment and to the introduction of adequate sanctions in the event of breaches of national legislation based on the directive. It also adopted a new amendment stipulating that, after consulting both sides of industry, Member States should lay down practical guidelines for the determination of sporadic and low-intensity exposure.