

Air transport: insurance for air carriers and aircraft operators

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The European Parliament passed one amendment during its plenary session on 11 March. The amendment proposes that small aircraft below 500 kg, including "micro-light" aircraft and gliders, be excluded from the scope of the Regulation. The insurance requirements would be disproportionately costly in relation to the perceived damage they could cause. The Parliamentary amendment would exclude these aircraft from insurance requirements for risks of war and terrorism. For all other risks, these aircraft are covered by the provisions of the Regulation. The Commission accepts the amendment in its entirety and has amended the draft Regulation accordingly.