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The committee approved the report, which highlights the numerous delays in the application of the law in economically and politically important areas. Several sectors referred to in the White Paper are affected: insurance, public service contracts, company law, intellectual and industrial property and new technologies. In other sectors, such as the environment, agriculture and the social area, the rate of transposition is particularly unsatisfactory, hence the rapporteur's proposal to call on the Commission to step up collaboration with the national authorities and, where necessary, to institute infringement procedures (for example under Article 169 of the EC Treaty). He also called on the Union institutions to communicate and disseminate Community texts more widely among the public. This could be achieved by reorganising Community and national computer networks. In addition, work to codify Community law should be speeded up so that this law could be properly reformulated. As regards education, the report called for Community law to be made a compulsory subject, even more so than already, on university law and further training courses for magistrates and lawyers. Despite the judgments returned by the Court of Justice, some Member States failed to comply with the judgments, hence the call on the Commission to apply systematically the penalties for which provision is made in the event of non-compliance (Article 171 (2) of the EC Treaty).