

Motor Insurance: civil liability, fourth directive (amend. direct. 73/239/EEC, 88/357/EEC, 92/49 /EEC)

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The committee adopted the draft recommendation for second reading (codecision procedure) by Mr Willi ROTHLEY (PES, D) approving the Council common position subject to a number of amendments. A substantial number of these seek to extend the scope of the proposed Directive to cover accidents taking place in a third country provided that the vehicles involved are registered in the EU. The rapporteur stressed that this was a logical extension of the Directive, and that such a move was broadly supported by the insurance industry. Other amendments seek to tighten up the procedural rules to avoid the possibility of a case shuttling between a compensation body and an insurer to the detriment of the victim.