

Judicial cooperation: financial penalties, mutual recognition. Framework Decision. Initiative France, Sweden and United Kingdom

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The committee adopted the report by Carmen CERDEIRA MORTERERO (PES, E) broadly approving the proposal under the consultation procedure, with a few amendments. It wanted to introduce a threshold of EUR 40 for penalties, arguing that the expense of transmission and enforcement in another state was not justifiable for small amounts. It also amended the proposal to reflect the fact that the currency in the Issuing and the Executing State would normally be the euro and that conversion of the amount of the penalties would be the exception. Lastly, the committee said that any documents to be transmitted should be translated into all the official languages of the Executing State so as to ensure that the sentenced person would be able to understand the documents.