Investigations into accidents and incidents in civil aviation

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The Commission adopted 7 of the 11 amendments adopted by Parliament. These sought: - to extend the investigators' freedom of access to include items of luggage; - to require Member States to take the necessary measures to ensure the publication of the accident report; - to state that only information of a purely material nature, which has been obtained during the inquiry or has resulted from it, may be used for the purpose of any other inquiry or action undertaken following the accident or incident in question; - to make it possible for accident reports to be used for disciplinary purposes; - to withdraw the provision which required Member States to take the necessary steps to protect investigators from any involvement in legal proceedings aimed at establishing blame or responsibility for an accident; - to call on the Commission to put forward supplementary measures before 31 December 1995 (introduction of mandatory national and Community systems for reporting incidents, a confidential system for incident reporting and a compensation scheme for victims).