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The main message which the Commission wishes to convey in this second annual report on the single European market is that, as a whole, the single market is working but that a great deal still needs to be done in order to make the single market a truly open area in which the free movement of people, goods, services and capital becomes a tangible reality. An effort must therefore be made to comply with existing Community rules, strengthen the application of the principle of mutual recognition of national legislation and speed up the adoption of legislative measures still needed, which are relatively few in number. The main priority fields of action over coming years should include: - completing the single market for citizens, so that they feel the benefit of European integration on a daily basis; - introducing total freedom of movement for people by abolishing border controls within the Union; - continuing the harmonization of tax legislation; - improving the working of the single market for the benefit of companies, especially in the area of company law and intellectual property rights; - action to promote the standard application of Community law, including improving access to justice and defining effective penalties in cases of infringement; - preparing a suitable basic regulatory framework for services in connection with the information society; - liberalizing public utility services; - helping CEECs to adapt to the requirements of the single market (preparing a White Paper).