

Radio equipment and telecommunication terminal equipment and mutual recognition of their conformity

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The Commission's amended proposal takes account, in full or in part, of 16 of the 19 amendments adopted by the European Parliament at first reading. The Commission accepted the amendments which: - reinforce the importance of maximising the classes of equipment covered by the Directive; - clarify the procedures on dealing with radio equipment; - introduce a consultation mechanism where equipment considered non-compliant with the Directive is withdrawn from the market; - introduce possibilities for network operators to disconnect equipment in special circumstances. The Commission did not, however, accept amendments seeking: - limitation of coverage of putting into service of equipment not operating in harmonized frequency bands; - usage of harmonized standards; - the keeping in place of existing directives (with very detailed requirements and conformity assessment procedures) for products originating from countries not providing reciprocal access for products from the Community.