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The objective of the amending proposal is to complement Decision 1692/96/EC on Community guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (TEN-T) by clarifying and reinforcing the position of seaports, inland ports and intermodal terminals in the network. On the whole, the Council's common position follows the main idea and structure of the Commission proposal. However, it makes several modifications to the proposed provisions on inland ports and seaports, and it does not take up the parts on intermodal terminals and the trans-European rail freight. In conclusion, the Commission agrees to the common position insofar as it builds on the underlying idea of the Commission proposal, in particular with regard to the provisions on the seaports. The Commission maintains, however, its proposal regarding the part on intermodal terminals which has also been supported by the European Parliament but which was not included in the common position.