

Postal services: common rules for the development of the services and improvement of quality of service

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Council's common position required the Member States and the Commission to demonstrate flexibility in order to reach a compromise, especially on the question of the timetable for deregulation which has allowed the gradual adoption of the directive. The amendments introduced by the Council, in conjunction with the amendments proposed by the European Parliament, improve the text of the proposed directive or translate the compromise which the Commission has agreed to make in that they maintain the elements needed in order to establish a harmonized framework for Community postal services. The Commission regretted that the Council had insisted on introducing a type IIIa regulatory committee procedure, rather than the advisory committee procedure which it had proposed, for a directive under Article 100 A of the EC Treaty.