Public health: Community action programme 1999-2003 on injury prevention, EHLASS incl.

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The European Commission accepted Council?s proposal so that a common position could be adopted. However, the Commission made the following statement for the record on the following points: - the Commission would have preferred that the common position include certain aspects of its amended proposal, especially those incorporated following the first reading by the European Parliament; - with regard to comitology, the Commission repeated that the mixed management consultative committee was too bureaucratic and too cumbersome for this type of programme. The Commission would have preferred a purely consultative committee; - with regard to Community funds for data collection by the Member States, the Commission was able to state that the rate of financing would be set on the basis of annual financial provisions and current practice for financing other action programmes in the field of public health, but would be at least 65%; - the reports referred to in article 7 (2) would also examine the link between the quality of the data collected and the financial aid granted.