Use of standards for the transmission of television signals (repeal. Directive 92/38/EEC)

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The report by Mr CAUDRON on the use of standards for the transmission of television signals was adopted by the European Parliament. The main objective of this new text was to repeal the 1992 directive aimed at standardising the move to HDTV through the D2-MAC and HD-MAC transmission systems. This new directive marked a change in course for the audiovisual policy, since the requirement to use the abandoned D2-MAC standard to the benefit of a more flexible system no longer required compatibility with PAL or SECAM and, for HD that was not fully digital, the requirement to use the HD-MAC system. The European Parliament adopted all the amendments tabled by the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs. They aimed to introduce a little more "regulation" to the text.