Competition: specific sectors, aids granted by states, art. 93 EC Treaty

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In adopting its resolution drafted by Mr. Javier AREITIO TOLEDO (E, EPP), the Parliament approved the Commission's proposal subject to a number of amendments. These amendments seek to widen the concept of "existing aid" as certain forms of aid granted some time ago might still have a detrimental impact on the single market. Other amendments seek to ensure that Parliament and the Member States are informed when one Member State grants new aid. This would allow them to react to any aid that they consider to be illegal. The Parliament also called for the improvement of procedures enabling Member States to recover aid granted unlawfully.