

# **Maritime safety: minimum level of training of seafarers**

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In adopting the recommendation for second reading by Mr Eolo PARODI (UPE, I), the European Parliament approved the common position of the Council, reinstating only one of the amendments adopted at first reading, namely that concerning the principles governing watch-keeping on board vessels. Two other amendments were also adopted, concerning: - the eyesight and hearing of seafarers, which should meet standards appropriate to their tasks and responsibilities; - rest periods: it should only be possible to reduce these in exceptional situations which could not reasonably have been anticipated at the commencement of the voyage.