Keeping of animals in zoos: minimum standards. Council Recommendation

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In adopting the report by Mr Yan WHITE (PSE, UK), the European Parliament made substantial amendments to the Commission proposal for a Council recommendation relating to the keeping of wild animals in zoos. The purpose of the amendments was to: - turn the proposal for a Council recommendation into a binding Council Directive adopted under the cooperation procedure; - turn the 'guidelines' proposed by the Commission into a more formal 'code of practice' for the accommodation and care of animals. The Commission is called upon to draw up within twelve months after the entry into force of the Directive a list of animal species which may and may not be kept in zoos.