

Information Society services: procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations and of rules

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In adopting the recommendation for second reading by Mr Mark Philip HENDRICK (PSE, UK) Parliament approved the Council's common position with amendments. In particular it called for the Commission and the committee to be able to consult natural or legal persons from industry or academia, and where possible representative bodies, capable of delivering an expert opinion on the social and societal aims and consequences of any draft rule on services. The Member State concerned should indicate where appropriate the reasons why the detailed opinion could not be taken into account. Parliament called for the Commission at regular intervals to investigate developments in the market for new services in the field of the information society, especially in the framework of the convergence between telecommunications, information technology and media and, where necessary, take initiatives in order to adapt rules promptly in order to encourage the European development of new services.