# Waste: common rules to apply to shipments to non OECD countries

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In adopting the report by Mr Ivar VIRGIN (PPE,S), the European Parliament stated its view that the Community must respect the desire expressed by non-OECD countries not to receive 'Green List' waste (regarded as non-hazardous and intended for recycling) and consequently that the exports concerned should be banned. As regards those countries which had not yet replied to the notes sent by the Commission, Parliament considered that their attitude should be interpreted as meaning that they had no interest in importing such waste. The waste could not, therefore, be exported to these countries. Parliament also considered that, in the case of countries which had replied that they did not wish to receive some or all of the waste listed in Annex II or countries which had not replied, the possibility existed that they might change their attitude or that they might reply in the future. A mechanism must therefore exist within a commitology procedure to change the Regulation. As regards the legal basis, Parliament called for the proposal to be based on Articles 113 and 130s(1) of the EC Treaty rather than only on Article 113.