Air transport safety: third countries aircraft using Community airports

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Adopting the recommendation for second reading by Mr Antonio GONZALEZ TRIVINO (ARE, E) on the common position establishing a safety assessment of third country aircraft using Community airports, the European Parliament called for the public to be informed of the safety problems of third country aircraft and airline companies. Parliament proposed a set of basic amendments which the European Commission could adopt and which the Council could then adopt by qualified majority. The following amendments were adopted: a) each Member State should publish half-yearly information on the following: - the number of aircraft grounded, stating the type of aircraft, the number and country of the operator, the reason for grounding, the airport and date of grounding and any corrective measures notified as a consequence of the grounding; - the type of aircraft, the state of registration and the name and country of the operators whose aircraft has been detained more than once during the past 24 months, the reasons for grounding, the airport and the date of grounding and any corrective measures notified; - a list of airports open to international traffic, the number of ramp inspections carried out and the number of movements of third country aircraft at each airport on the list; - the number of ramp inspections communicated. b) the Commission may decide on the release of supplementary information to third parties such as safety and air passenger associations if it is deemed to be in the interest of air safety; c) the European Commission should identify the Community-wide implications of the safety hazard of a third country aircraft and propose any Community measures deemed necessary.