Fight against organized crime: evaluation of national application of international undertakings

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In adopting the report by Mr Leoluca ORLANDO (V. I), the European Parliament has approved the draft joint action, subject to amendments designed to boost the efficiency of the proposed evaluation mechanism, in particular by making the system more Community-oriented. More specifically, it recommends strengthening the role of the European Commission at all levels of the evaluation procedure. Parliament considers that evaluation should be carried out by a team consisting of three experts, one appointed by the Commission and two by the Member States. The experts for each evaluation exercise should be chosen at random from the list of experts and should not be nationals of the country being evaluated. The questionnaire sent to the Member States as part of the evaluation procedure would also be drawn up by the Commission. Finally, Parliament calls for greater transparency regarding the work and recommendations of the Multi-Disciplinary Working Party on Organized Crime (MDW) and asks to be informed each year about the results of this work and the Council's work.