

Approval of motor vehicles and their trailers. Framework Directive

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Giuseppe GARGANI (EPP-ED, Italy) making some amendments to the Commission's proposal. (Please see the summary of 22/01/04.) In addition: Parliament added definitions of "non-road mobile machinery" and "independent operator"; -it deleted the provision regarding an additional statement to the certificate of conformity for vehicles approved in accordance with Article 26 in the case of an end-of- series waiver; -at the request of the manufacturer or purchaser of the vehicle, Member States may allow individual approval for a vehicle complying with the provisions of the Directive and the UN/ECE directives or regulations listed in the Annexes; -a manufacturer must inform the approval authority that granted the vehicle approval if recalling a vehicle with serious deficiencies in terms of the life expectancy or proper operation of parts; -the manufacturer must make available to independent operators any technical information required for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles unless that information is covered by an intellectual property right or constitutes secret know-how. In such a case the information must not be withheld in an improper manner.