European Union consumer protection: legal aspects. Green paper

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The European Parliament passed a resolution drafted by Marianne THYSSEN (EPP-ED, Belgium) on the Commission's Green Paper. (Please refer to the document dated 20/02/03.) Parliament also wanted to see the development of rules for a better treatment of Community law in cross border relations, and agreed that an internal market calls for coordinated market supervision. It supported the idea of intergovernmental cooperation by national enforcement authorities, which could operate to the advantage of mutual information and mutual assistance in specific cases. The Commission was asked to provide detailed information on the nature of the obstacles encountered, to quantify their impact on cross-border purchases and, on that basis, to continue consultations with all parties concerned, on both the production and the distribution sides, and with representatives of SMEs and consumer organisations.