Supplementary health insurance

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The Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Mr Michel ROCARD (PES, F) on supplementary health insurance. Parliament is calling on the Commission to present within six months a green paper on current health care systems and the ways in which they could be complemented by supplementary systems. It also calls on the Commission to examine the possibility, on the basis of the green paper, of a framework for supplementary health insurance schemes which takes account of the subsidiarity principle. In addition, the Commission is called upon to arrange for the coordinating regulation, regulation 1408/71/EEC, to apply to all health insurance schemes, including supplementary schemes which are subscribed to and financed privately but which are nonetheless subject to statutory requirements, or to take measures to ensure the retention of entitlements. Finally, while welcoming the development of a single market in supplementary private health care, Parliament believes that all the other health protection should be a matter for Member States rather than the EU. (Refer to the previous document for the decisions of the committee responsible).