

# **Service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters (service of documents)**

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The committee adopted the report by Jean-Paul GAUZÈS (EPP-ED, FR) approving the proposal on the service of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters. It adopted a few amendments (under the 1st reading of the codecision procedure) with a view to clarifying the text in places, particularly with regard to the translation of documents served to an addressee. MEPs specified *inter alia* that, where the addressee has exercised the option of refusing to accept a document at the time of service, documents subsequently served in the same case as a continuation of the procedure must be written in or translated into a language understood by the addressee or an official language of the receiving Member State.