

External borders: simplified regime for control of persons, unilateral recognition by new Member States of documents issued by Schengen States as equivalent to their national visas for the purpose of transit

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The committee adopted the report by Michael CASHMAN (PES, UK) broadly approving the proposed decision introducing a simplified regime for the control of persons at the external borders based on the unilateral recognition by the ten new Member States of certain documents as equivalent to their national visas for the purposes of transit through their territories. The committee adopted a number of mainly technical amendments under the 1st reading of the codecision procedure.