

Combating the sexual exploitation of children and child pornography: recognition and enforcement of prohibitions arising from convictions for sexual offences

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Bogusaw **SONIK** (EPP-ED, PL) and made some amendments to the Belgian initiative. (Please see the summary of 13/03/2006.) A number of amendments are intended to improve the wording and tighten up some definitions in the legislative text

Parliament stated that, given that, within the same Member State and across the European Union, the range of possible prohibitions arising from criminal convictions is broad and the nature and methods of applying those sanctions can vary considerably, priority should be given to sectors where a common basis already exists between the Member States.

Member States shall take the necessary steps to ensure that any prohibition, including any prohibition imposed by other Member States, is registered in the criminal record. In addition, Where the applicable international instruments on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters so allow, prohibitions imposed by third countries shall be registered in the criminal record.