


Basic information	
2002/2046(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure EC Treaty Art.81(3): application to vertical agreements and concerted practices in motor vehicle industry Subject 2.60 Competition 3.40.03 Motor industry, cycle and motorcycle, commercial and agricultural vehicles	Procedure completed

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs		KONRAD Christoph (PPE-DE)	06/11/2000
	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	JURI Legal Affairs and Internal Market		BERGER Maria (PSE)	26/06/2001

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
11/04/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/04/2002	Vote in committee		Summary
23/04/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary	A5-0144/2002	
29/05/2002	Debate in Parliament		
30/05/2002	Decision by Parliament	T5-0272/2002	Summary
30/05/2002	End of procedure in Parliament		
07/08/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2002/2046(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Procedure subtype	Initiative
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 55

Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/5/16139

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A5-0144/2002	23/04/2002	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T5-0272/2002 OJ C 187 07.08.2003, p. 0024-0149 E	30/05/2002	Summary

EC Treaty Art.81(3): application to vertical agreements and concerted practices in motor vehicle industry

2002/2046(INI) - 30/05/2002 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted its own-initiative report drafted by Werner KONRAD (EPP-ED, Germany) and resolved to seek a delay in the introduction of new rules designed to open up the European car industry to EU competition rules. (Please refer to the document dated 23/04/02.) Parliament stated that the "location clause" relating to a selective distribution agreement should not be introduced until 2005, and then only after a review showing that such a change would be necessary to comply with competition rules. Other main amendments made by Parliament include the following: - to protect dealers, Parliament stipulates a two-year period of notice for terminating an agreement with the manufacturer. The latter should pay compensation in the event of the distributor making substantial investments in a new showroom and related facilities which cannot be covered as a result of the loss of a dealership; - the arbitration provisions when an agreement is terminated are strengthened; - manufacturers are not obliged to disclose sensitive technical information relating to, for example, engine speed or exhaust emissions; - restrictions on the opening of the market in maintenance and repairs.