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RE-EXAMINED PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DIRECTIVE ESTABLISHING THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE INVESTIGATION OF CIVIL AVIATION ACCIDENTS AND INCIDENTS

(presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 189 C (d) of the EC Treaty)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

On the first of September 1993 the Commission adopted a proposal for a directive establishing the fundamental principles governing the investigation of civil aviation accidents and incidents.

The European Parliament approved that proposal on 9 March 1994 subject to a number of eleven amendments.

On 29 March 1994 the Commission submitted an amended proposal taking up seven of the eleven amendments of the Parliament.

On 16 May 1994 the Council adopted a Common Position with a view to adopting this Directive. This Common position included, textually or in spirit, five of the amendments adopted by the Parliament and taken up by the Commission.

On 26 October 1994 the Parliament accepted the Common position of the Council subject to one amendment.

The Commission decided to take up this amendment as it usefully complements the provisions of Article 7, para 2 in providing for the publication of an interim report twelve months after the accident when it is not possible to make public a final investigation report in this timeframe.

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Common Position text

Re-examined Proposal

Article 7, para 2

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