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TEXT PROPOSED  
BY THE COMMISSIONAMENDMENTS  
BY PARLIAMENTAmendment 41  
*Annex, Article 15*

Within two months of the end of each financial year, the Director shall submit the annual accounts and balance-sheets for the preceding year to the Court of Auditors of the European Communities. The audit executed by the Court of Auditors shall be based on records and performed on the spot. The Director shall present the annual accounts and balance-sheet, together with the report of the Court of Auditors, to the Administrative Board for approval by a majority of 75 % of the votes. The Director is entitled and, if requested by the Administrative Board, obliged to comment on the report. The Court of Auditors shall send **its** report to the members of the Joint Undertaking.

Within two months of the end of each financial year, the Director shall submit the annual accounts and balance-sheets for the preceding year to the Court of Auditors of the European Communities, **to the European Parliament and to the Council**. The audit executed by the Court of Auditors shall be based on records and performed on the spot. The Director shall present the annual accounts and balance-sheet, together with the report of the Court of Auditors, **of the European Parliament and of the Council**, to the Administrative Board for approval by a majority of 75 % of the votes. The Director is entitled and, if requested by the Administrative Board, obliged to comment on the report. The Court of Auditors, **the European Parliament and the Council** shall send **their** report to the members of the Joint Undertaking **and the monitoring committee**. **The monitoring committee may forward its remarks on the report to the Administrative Board. They shall be taken into account when the report is adopted by the Administrative Board.**

Amendment 42  
*Annex, Article 17a (new)***Article 17a**

**The Joint Undertaking shall ensure the protection of sensitive information, whose unauthorised divulgence might prejudice the interests of the contracting parties. The Joint Undertaking shall introduce security principles and minimal standards in this connection.**

Amendment 43  
*Annex, Article 18, paragraph 2*

2. Any request for accession shall be addressed to the Director, who shall transmit it to the Administrative Board. The Administrative Board shall decide whether the Joint Undertaking shall start negotiations with the applicant on the conditions of accession. In the case of a positive decision, the Joint Undertaking shall negotiate the conditions of accession and submit them to the Administrative Board which shall act by a majority of 75 % of the votes expressed.

2. Any request for accession shall be addressed to the Director, who shall transmit it to the Administrative Board. The Administrative Board shall decide, **after consulting the monitoring committee**, whether the Joint Undertaking shall start negotiations with the applicant on the conditions of accession. In the case of a positive decision, the Joint Undertaking shall negotiate the conditions of accession and submit them to the Administrative Board which shall act by a majority of 75 % of the votes expressed.

**European Parliament legislative resolution on the proposal for a Council regulation on the establishment of the Galileo Joint Undertaking (COM(2001) 336 – C5-0329/2001 – 2001/0136(CNS))**

(Consultation procedure)

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to the Commission proposal to the Council (COM(2001) 336) <sup>(1)</sup>,
- having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 171 of the EC Treaty (C5-0329/2001),

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ C 270 E, 25.9.2001, p. 119.

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- having regard to Rule 67 of its Rules of Procedure,
  - having regard to the report of the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy and the opinions of the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism (A5-0005/2002),
1. Approves the Commission proposal as amended;
  2. Calls on the Commission to alter its proposal accordingly, pursuant to Article 250(2) of the EC Treaty;
  3. Calls on the Council to notify Parliament should it intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
  4. Calls for the conciliation procedure to be initiated should the Council intend to depart from the text approved by Parliament;
  5. Asks to be consulted again if the Council intends to amend the Commission proposal substantially;
  6. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council and Commission.
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**P5\_TA(2002)0053****Lorry drivers stranded in Luxembourg****European Parliament resolution on the situation of lorry drivers stranded in Luxembourg***The European Parliament,*

- A. whereas this case of modern exploitation in road transport in Luxembourg concerning an Austrian transport company is unfortunately not an isolated national case but should be viewed at European level,
- B. whereas this case distorts competition in road transport, while law-abiding companies which respect existing legislation are highly disadvantaged; whereas the lack of internalisation of external costs in the road transport sector is also a main cause of distortion of competition affecting other modes of transport,
- C. whereas a sustainable transport policy should tackle the rising volume of traffic and levels of congestion, noise and pollution and encourage the use of environment-friendly modes of transport,
- D. whereas efforts have to be made for the existing control and sanction mechanisms to be applied strictly,
- E. whereas the problem of 'false' independents shows the urgent need to take into account their situation at the level of national and European social legislation,
- F. whereas the principles of road safety and occupational safety should be maintained,
- G. whereas there are different ways in which non-EU drivers can appear on the EU transport market, e.g. by the CEMT permit system,