Amendment 58

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on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) capacity restrictions and a reduction in airport size;

Or. en

Justification

Possible option to be considered under the framework of a balanced combination of appropriate and most effective measures.

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Article 4 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) *not as a first resort*, operating restrictions.

(d) operating restrictions.

Or. en

Justification

Practice has shown that operating restrictions are often the most effective and immediate measures to be undertaken to protect neighbouring affected areas against aircraft noise.

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Proposal for a regulation Article 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States may, within the Balanced Approach, differentiate noise mitigating measures according to aircraft type, runway use and/or timeframe covered.

Amendment

3. Member States may, within the Balanced Approach, differentiate noise mitigating measures according to aircraft type, runway use, *flight path* and/or timeframe covered.

Or. en

Justification

Flight paths are key elements to be integrated and considered in the Balanced Approach.

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Proposal for a regulation Article 4 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Measures or a combination of measures taken in accordance with this Regulation for a given airport shall not be more restrictive than necessary to achieve the environmental noise abatement objectives set for that airport. Operating restrictions shall be non-discriminatory, in particular on grounds of nationality, identity or activity of aircraft operators.

Amendment

5. Measures or a combination of measures taken in accordance with this Regulation for a given airport shall not be more restrictive than necessary to *meet the terms of the World Health Organisation night noise guidelines for Europe and to* achieve the *health-related and* environmental noise abatement objectives set for that airport. Operating restrictions shall be non-discriminatory, in particular on grounds of nationality, identity or activity of aircraft operators.

Or. en

Justification

Reference to the WHO guidelines is useful to set up a scientifically base health related famework.

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Proposal for a regulation Article 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 10

Right of scrutiny

1. At the request of a Member State or on its own initiative, and without prejudice to a pending appeal procedure, the Commission may scrutinise the decision on an operating restriction, prior to its implementation. Where the Commission finds that the decision does not respect the requirements set out in this Regulation, or is otherwise contrary to Union law, it may suspend the decision.

- 2. The competent authorities shall provide the Commission with information demonstrating compliance with this Regulation.
- 3. The Commission shall decide in accordance with the advisory procedure laid down in Article 13(2), in particular taking into account the criteria in Annex II, whether the competent authority concerned may proceed with the introduction of the operating restriction. The Commission shall communicate its decision to the Council and the Member State concerned.
- 4. Where the Commission has not adopted

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a decision within a period of six months after it has received the information referred to in paragraph 2, the competent authority may apply the envisaged decision on an operating restriction.

Or. en

Justification

This provision will undermine the principle of subsidiarity and encroach the powers of Member States since decisions on operating restrictions must be undertaken by Member States alone on the basis of corresponding impacts on public health in the concerned areas. Moreover such right of scrutiny is likely to cause procedural delays (see decision by the Chamber of European Affairs of the German Bundesrat - 79/11 of 7 february 2012).

Amendment 63
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Proposal for a regulation Article 15

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 15 deleted

Repeal

Directive 2002/30/EC is repealed with effect as from the date of entry into force of this Regulation.

Or. en

Justification

Directive 2002/30 should not be repealed: it's worthwhile asking the European Commission for its review and adaptation instead of proposing a new draft Regulation, where nevertheless the EC wants to keep a right of scrutiny on Member States correspondent decisions.

Amendment 64 Sabine Wils, Jaromír Kohlíček on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

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Proposal for a regulation Annex 1 – section 3 – point 1 – point 1.1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.1 A description of the airport including information about its *size*, location, surroundings, air traffic volume and mix.

1.1 A description of the airport including information about its *capacity*, location, surroundings, *sensitive areas where vulnerable groups of citizens are located or affected by runway approach or take-off routes*, air traffic volume and mix, *considering the potential cumulative impact and risk factors in terms of noise levels*.

Or. en

Justification

Spatial management and land use planning is an important tool.

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Proposal for a regulation

Annex 1 – section 3 – point 1 – point 1.4 – point 1.4.3 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.4.3. For noise abatement operational measures, to the extent that these measures do not restrict capacity of an airport:

1.4.3. For noise abatement operational measures:

Or. en

Justification

The aim of this proposal is not solely to safeguard air traffic related economy activity, but also seeks to ensure that there are not harmful health repercussion for the surrounding population.

Amendment 66 Jacqueline Fosteron behalf of the ECR Group

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Amendment

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Or. en