

**Amendment 66**

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Strengthening the security of identity cards and of residence documents issued to Union citizens

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**Proposal for a regulation****Recital 9***Text proposed by the Commission*

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