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Interchange fees for card-based payment transactions


(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)

*The European Parliament,*

– having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2013)0550),

– having regard to Article 294(2) and Article 114(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C7-0241/2013),

– having regard to Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to the opinion of the European Central Bank of 5 February 2014¹,

– having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee of 11 December 2013²,

– having regard to the undertaking given by the Council representative by letter of 21 January 2015 to approve Parliament’s position, in accordance with Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

– having regard to Rules 59 and 61(2) of its Rules of Procedure,

– having regard to the report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (A7-0167/2014),

– having regard to the amendments which it adopted at its sitting of 3 April 20143,

– having regard to the Decision of the Conference of Presidents of 18 September 2014 on unfinished business from the seventh parliamentary term,

– having regard to the supplementary report of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (A8-0022/2015),

1. Adopts its position at first reading hereinafter set out;

2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it intends to amend its proposal substantially or replace it with another text;

3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the national parliaments.

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3 Texts adopted of that date, P7_TA(2014)0279.

(As an agreement was reached between Parliament and Council, Parliament's position corresponds to the final legislative act, Regulation (EU) 2015/751.)