Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators for two- or three-wheel motor vehicles (Codified version)

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On 19 October 2006, the Council decided to consult the European Economic and Social Committee, under Article 95 of the Treaty establishing the European Community, on the

On 25 October 2006 the Committee Bureau instructed the Section for the Single Market, Production and Consumption to prepare the Committee's work on the subject.

Given the urgent nature of the work, the European Economic and Social Committee appointed Mr Simons as rapporteur-general at its 431st plenary session, held on 13 and 14 December 2006 (meeting of 13 December), and adopted the following opinion by 117 votes with one abstention.

1. Conclusions and recommendations

1.1 In a 'people's Europe', it is important that Community law should be both understandable and transparent. The European Parliament, Council and Commission have therefore also highlighted the need to codify legislative acts that have been frequently amended, and have agreed by interinstitutional agree-

ment that an accelerated procedure may be used. Codification may not involve any substantive changes to the acts in question.

1.2 The Commission proposal under discussion here is fully consonant with the objective of codification and with the rules involved. The EESC therefore endorses it.

Brussels, 13 December 2006.

The President
of the European Economic and Social Committee
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