

Brussels, 14 July 2003

OPINION

of the

Committee of the Regions

of 3 July 2003

on the

Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on minimum safety requirements for tunnels in the Trans-European Road Network

(COM(2002) 769 final – 2000/0309 (COD))

THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS,

HAVING REGARD TO the Proposal for Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on minimum safety requirements for tunnels in the Trans-European Road Network – (COM(2002) 769 final – 2002/0309 (COD));

HAVING REGARD TO the decision taken by the Council on 22 January 2003, under Article 175(1) of the Treaty establishing the European Community, to consult it on this matter;

HAVING REGARD TO the decision of its bureau of 12 March 2002 to issue an opinion on this subject and to entrust the Commission for Territorial Cohesion Policy with the preparation of the opinion;

HAVING REGARD TO the White Paper on European transport policy¹ issued by the European Commission on 12 September 2001;

HAVING REGARD TO Decision No. 1692/96/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 1996 on Community guidelines for the development of the Trans-European Transport Network

¹ Commission White Paper of 12.9.2001 entitled "European transport policy for 2010: time to decide, COM(2001) 370 final

² OJ L 228 of 9.9.1996, p. 1, as amended by Decision No. 1346/2001/EC, OJ L 185 of 6.7.2001, p. 1

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HAVING REGARD TO its opinion on the Report from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the Trans-European Transport Network: 1998 report on the implementation of the guidelines and priorities for the future (pursuant to Article 18 of Decision No. 1692/96/EC) (COM(1998) 614 final) (CdR 60/99 fin)

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