MEPs deliver blow to protection for posted workers

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The ETUC and European Trade Union Federations, including in particular the construction (EFBWW) and foodworkers (EFFAT) have attacked MEPs for voting to water down provisions of the Enforcement Directive. The Directive is intended to provide greater protection for posted workers but the European Parliament's Employment and Social Affairs Committee (excluding the Socialists and Democrats and European United Left-Nordic Green Left) endorsed amendments that undermine the legislation. Posted workers could be denied the minimum wages and standards (including collective agreements) of their host countries, as the so-called country of origin principle would apply in cases of non-genuine posting. The Directive will now enter a process of negotiation between Parliament, Council and Commission that is not open to public scrutiny.

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