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"An Appendix [to the CM Recommendation No. R (96) 10 stipulates] that 'the legal framework governing public service broadcasting organisations should clearly stipulate their editorial independence and institutional autonomy'. [...]. role of the parliamentary The commission in programme matters [...] might also be problematic in this respect. The Commission recalls that the Appendix to Committee of Ministers' Rec. (2000)23 [...] provides that in order to preserve the editorial independence of the public broadcasting service, regulatory authorities should not exercise a priori control over programming."

CDL-AD(2005)017, Opinion on the compatibility of the laws "Gasparri" and "Frattini" of Italy with the Council of Europe standards in the field of freedom of expression and pluralism of the media, §§148 and 150