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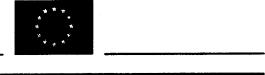
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#### I. Introduction

The task of this study was to analyse whether the prerogatives of the legislative and budgetary authorities have generally been respected in implementing decisions during the past three years. Its aim was to verify and illustrate whether decisions with important legislative and financial implications are decided by the Commission using comitology procedures or whether they are reserved for the legislative and budgetary authorities using the appropriate legislative and budgetary process. The study was based on a limited number of case studies of the documentation of Commission implementing measures, which have been made available to the European Parliament (EP) by the Commission since 1995 under both the Plumb-Delors agreement of 1988 and the "modus vivendi".

The line that separates routine implementing measures from those with legislative and budgetary implications is rather fuzzy and difficult to draw. Therefore, it was not the task of the study to develop a theoretically sound distinction that would put into operation the principles of democracy and the rules of Law which were set out in the Amsterdam Treaty on the European Union as the founding principles of the Union. Instead, a pragmatic approach was taken, broadly following the basic definitions contained in the European Parliament's resolution A4-0361/96 adopted on 14 November 1996<sup>3</sup>, the Commission's document SEC(96)1225 and the Commission's recent proposal for a revision of the Council's decision of 13 July 1987, laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission.

The following analysis is based on a sample of the proposed implementing measures which the Commission forwarded to the Parliament between January 1st 1995 and July 1st 1998 under the "modus vivendi" of 1994 and the Plumb-Delors agreement of 1998. Unexpectedly, securing this database proved rather difficult and time-consuming, which caused considerable delay in completing the project.

#### II. Database and Working Methods

The first step of this study consisted in contacting the responsible members of the Standing Committees of the EP, which had - under the Plumb-Delors agreement of 1988 and the "modus vivendi" - received Commission implementing measures forwarded by the Commission to the EP since 1995.

A comprehensive list concerning the documents (about 1,400 measures) which the EP<sup>4</sup> had received from the Commission between January 1<sup>st</sup> 1995 and July 1<sup>st</sup> 1998 formed the basis for these contacts. With considerable effort and the very active support of the staff of the Directorate

European Parliament, Conference of Committee Chairmen: The application of the "modus vivendi" on comitology: practical guidelines for Parliament's Committees, PE 212.909, 7. 07. 1995.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OJ C 43/40, 1995.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OJ C 362/267-270, 1996.

This list was forwarded to us by the EP.

General for Research of the EP, we were able to secure 204 documents for analysis from the respective committees.

The sample of documents available for analysis concentrates in particular on the environmental sector and economic and monetary affairs. Unfortunately, due to technical reasons, it was not possible to improve the representativeness of the study with the help of the database existing in the General Secretariat of the Commission as the code numbers of the EP and those of the Commission cannot be matched.

The analysis carried out allows for some tentative conclusions. With regards to the sample however, the question about the general validity of the conclusions could be raised.

#### III. Research Methods and Procedures for Analysis

The documents were analysed using a typological scheme which views the adoption of implementing measures either as executive rule-making or fund approving<sup>5</sup>. The criteria for differentiation are essentially material in nature, focusing on the substance of the implementing decision taken, distinguishing between three types of implementation rule-making and two types of budgetary measures, as follows:

- "Rule application": referred to measures adopted within the clear limits of the basic legal act (e.g. routine decisions in the market regimes of CAP, but also for decisions like the embargo against British beef in the BSE case);
- "Rule interpretation": referred to cases in which minor adaptations of the original legal act are made and the Commission has certain discretion/room for manoeuvre (e.g. Commission decisions concerning mergers of companies);
- "Rule-setting/evaluation": referred to measures where, within a general framework of a legal act, particularly directives, more specific rules are adopted (e.g. the setting of limits in environmental law or adjusting safety requirements due to technological change);

The typological scheme is a further refinement of an earlier differentiation proposed in: Schaefer, "Committees in the EC Policy Process: A First Step towards Developing a Conceptual Framework"; in: Pedler/Schaefer, Shaping European Law and Policy: The Role of Committees and Comitology in the Political Process, European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, 1996, pp. 3-23.

- "Routine fund-approving": referred to funding decisions within a specific, well-defined framework laid down by the legislative authorities (e.g. the management of specific R&D programmes and economic aid to third world countries);
- "Extension/new specification of fund-approving": referred to measures in which existing programmes are either extended or modified (e.g. modification or revision of an expenditure programme in R&D or foreign aid).

In addition to differentiating implementing measures according to the type of rule-making or fund approval, it was necessary to take the nature of the implementation decision into account. Again three categories for rule-making and two categories for fund-approving measures were used:

- \*Routine" (within clearly defined limits such as setting of prices in market regimes or approving specific research projects);
- "Normative" (setting/amending legal requirements such as annexes of directives resulting in a substantive change of the norms set out in the original legal act);
- "Programmatic" (setting up new programmes in the field of R&D or initiating new activities on the basis of an existing legal act);
- "Budgetary I" (inside clearly defined budgetary limits);
- "Budgetary II" (the significant extension or modification of a budget line leading to a significant change in expenditure).

By combining the two sets of categories we obtained the following matrix:

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	Routine	Normative	Programmatic	Budgetary I	Budgetary II
Rule application	+			+	
Rule interpretation	+	* #			
Rule-setting/ evaluation	: <b>(</b> )	g ga sa			(for existing
Routine fund approving	(+)			+	
Extension of/new specification of fund approving					

It was assumed that the proposed measures which were classified in one of the shaded boxes represented potentially critical cases requiring more detailed analysis and scrutiny. The analysis was carried out according to the following five steps:

#### Step 1: Writing of short descriptions

A classificatory "short description" was written for each implementing measure we received, covering basic data (see annex 1):

- a) PMC number
- b) Identification-number by Commission
- c) DG of Commission
- d) EP-Committee
- e) Comitology-Committee
- f) Legal basis for measure
- g) Legal basis for Committee
- h) Date of transmission to the EP.

The basic elements of the measure, e.g. "Proposal for a Commission Decision on a Common Technical Regulation for Satellite News Gathering Transportable Earth Stations (CTR030)" were also summarised in a short paragraph.

#### Step 2: Categorisation of documents according to matrix

After careful examination, each document was categorised according to the matrix shown above and grouped according to the EP committee which had received the document.

### Step 3: Reduction of cases for analysis – identification of problematic implementation measures

Critical instances where implementing measures may possibly have overextended the competences of the executive and required the involvement of the legislative authorities were considered as cases that fell into the shaded fields of the classificatory matrix. To avoid redundancies - as certain groups of implementing measures were nearly identical - we selected only one for further examination. Through this procedure, critical measures were identified.

#### Step 4: Writing of long descriptions

For these 22 cases a "long description" (annex 2) was written, describing the implementing act concerned in more detail by analysing:

- the scope of the proposed measure;
- the legal basis of the measure in more detail by focusing on the objective and scope of the Decision, Regulation or Directive concerned with a view to determining whether the Commission - when adopting the implementing measure - had infringed upon the legislative prerogatives of the Parliament by exceeding the powers delegated to it under the basic legal act.

We tried to answer the following questions for each proposed measure:

- How and where the prerogatives of the legislative and budgetary authorities may have been infringed:
  - Were the competences delegated to the Commission clear and precise?
  - Was the adopted implementing measure "covered" under the legal basis?
  - Had the Commission exceeded its powers under the legal basis and in what way?
- What role did the EP play in adopting the basic legal act?:
  - Which procedure has been followed?
  - Which position did the EP take with respect to the specific delegation of implementing powers?

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#### Step 5: Follow-up of measure in comitology-committee

For these selected documents we tried to "follow-up" the proposed measure in the respective comitology committee by attempting to answer the following questions:

- What position did the committee take?
- Was the measure subsequently referred to the Council and what did the Council do?
- What actually happened in the committee itself: Did the Commission change its proposal in response to criticism in the committee? Was there a controversial debate? Was a vote taken and how did the Member States vote?

The General Secretariat of the Commission was contacted with the request to provide us with the necessary information, particularly the protocols and the votes taken. This proved again to be very time-consuming as the General Secretariat had to contact each individual chairman of the respective comitology committees separately. In the end, we only received the votes that were taken in the committee in 18 of the 22 cases (see table 2).

Two observations can be made about this data although it is difficult to draw far-reaching conclusions because of the relatively small sample:

- The vast majority of the committees asked to give their opinion were IIIa committees. From this it can be deduced that "problematic" cases are often dealt with under the III procedure.
- The fact that all committee positions were positive seems to support earlier research<sup>6</sup> about the high percentage of favourable votes in committees. It is noteworthy that the Commission's proposal was accepted unanimously in only five cases by the committee, whereas in three cases the qualified majority required (62 votes) was barely reached.

#### IV. Results of the Analysis

#### Content of the measures

The bulk of the documents available for analysis were concentrated in the environmental and economic sector. These are sensitive areas where it can be assumed that infringements of the prerogatives of the legislative and budgetary authorities are more likely to occur than in other areas. However, in practice - when analysing the measures in more detail - this seemed not to be the case. For the majority of the measures, the Commission proposed changes of a technical

Falke, "Comitology and other Committees", in: Pedler/Schaefer, Shaping European Law and Policy: The Role of Committees and Comitology in the Political Process, European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, 1996, p. 117 (139).

nature that can be considered as routine. These proposals varied in content ranging from recommendations to "publish best-practice in interconnection (telephone) pricing" to (technical) proposals for "systems of attestation of conformity of prefabricated stair-kits" to the laying down of the "essential requirements for the composition of baby foods". Other proposals adapt annexes to technical progress (e.g. for cosmetic products) and contain extensive annexes establishing conditions to be fulfilled by "applicants for an ecolabel for laundry detergents" or that introduce "tests for soil residue studies". Adaptations of technical annexes can indeed, under certain circumstances, infringe upon the prerogatives of the legislative authorities, for instance if the limit values in environmental legislation are changed. In our sample, however, there was no such case. Other proposed measures contained the modification of questionnaires (e.g. new reporting requirements, obliging the Member States to answer questions about emission standards for direct discharges into surface water and emission standards for discharges into sewers) or proposals for formats relating to database systems on packaging waste (designed to monitor the implementation of Directive 94/62 and to collect information as a basis for future decision-taking).

These examples show that of the 22 proposed measures 18 could undoubtedly be classified as typical routine implementing decisions<sup>8</sup>. The four remaining measures represented "problematic" cases in which there could be a possible infringement of the prerogatives of the European Parliament.

Such an infringement can occur:

- when the Commission exceeds the powers delegated to it in the basic legal act on which the implementing measure is based;
- when the Council (and the EP) has (have) delegated too wide and unspecific powers to the Commission in the basic legal act (with the possible consequence that the Commission regulates "basic elements" of a matter).

In order to evaluate whether the Commission had overextended its competences:

- we compared the content of the respective draft Commission proposal with the legal basis in the underlying legal act;
- in cases where we found discrepancies between the proposal and the basic legal act, we examined the scope of application, possible room for discretion and the text itself;
- finally, we analysed whether our findings were in accordance with the respective case law of the European Court of Justice, in particular with the Köster judgement. In this decision, the Court had established that the "basic elements of a matter to be dealt with" must be decided according to the legislative procedures as laid down in the Treaty and may not be regulated by the Commission.

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Compare: European Parliament, "Report on the modification of the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission - 'comitology' (Council Decision of 13 July 1987) Committee on Institutional Affairs, Rapporteur: Maria Adelaide Aglietta, PE 225.917/A/fin, 3 August 1998.

For details compare long descriptions in annex 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Case 25/70, Einfuhrstelle v. Köster, [1970] ECR 1161.

#### This procedure was applied in the following four cases:

- 1) a proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified soya beans (PMC 0203);
- 2) a proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring Swede rape (PMC 1169);
- 3) a draft for a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97 as regards the labelling of beef and beef products (PMC 0728);
- 4) a draft for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 70/311 relating to steering equipment of motor vehicles and their trailers (PMC 0802).

#### Genetically modified organisms (soya beans and spring Swede rape)

The first two cases are similar and can be treated together. The first case in this context was a proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified soya beans, the second a proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring Swede rape.

Both proposals were submitted in the context of Directive 90/220<sup>10</sup>, which provides for a procedure that must be followed if a producer or importer wants to place a genetically modified organism (GMO) on the market<sup>11</sup>:

The producer must first "submit a notification to the competent authority of the Member State where such a product is to be placed on the market for the first time". That authority shall then "examine it for compliance with the Directive 90/220, giving particular attention to the environmental risk assessment and the recommended precautions related to the safe use of the product". At the latest 90 days after receipt of the notification, the competent authority shall either "forward the dossier to the Commission with a favourable opinion, or inform the notifier that the proposed release does not fulfil the conditions of this Directive and that it is therefore rejected". If the authority decides to forward the dossier to the Commission with a favourable opinion, the Commission shall "immediately forward it to the competent Member State authorities of all Member States". If there is "no objection from another Member State within 60 days following the distribution date, the competent authority shall give its consent in writing so that the product can be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof". In cases where "the competent authority of another Member State raises an objection for which the reasons must be

11 Art. 10 to 13.

Council Directive 90/220/EEC of 23 April 1990 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms, OJ 1990 L 117/15.

stated" the Commission shall make a proposal in accordance with IIIa - comitology procedure. If the Commission proposes a favourable decision and if the Committee renders a positive opinion, the competent authority that received the original notification shall "give consent in writing so that the product may be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof<sup>512</sup>.

In both cases, the Commission had proposed to take a favourable decision in accordance with the procedure described above:

a) In the case concerning genetically modified soya beans, the Commission decided, after having obtained the positive opinion of the comitology committee (74 votes in favour, 11 against, 2 abstentions), that consent should be given by the authorities of the UK to place this product on the market.

The competence of the Commission to take such a decision is clearly laid down in Art. 13 of Council Directive 90/220/EEC which stipulates that "in cases where the competent authority of another Member State raises an objection ... the Commission shall take a decision in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21" (IIIa - comitology committee procedure).

Since the Commission has clearly acted in accordance with the legal basis, it would be difficult to argue that an infringement of the prerogatives of the legislative authority took place in this case. The only possible way to argue that such an infringement had occurred would be to regard the decision whether certain products should be placed on the market as a "basic element of the matter to be dealt with" in the sense of the Köster judgement<sup>13</sup>.

According to this judgement, the basic elements of the matter to be dealt with must be adopted in accordance with the legislative procedures laid down in the Treaty. Only provisions implementing the basic regulations may be adopted by the Commission. This could be questioned here since the basic elements in this case refer to the general and abstract conditions for the placing on the market of GMOs (which are laid down in Art. 10 of Directive 90/220) and not to individual applications in specific cases. Even if such individual decisions can have far-reaching consequences, as long as they follow the procedures and apply the criteria laid down in the basic legislation (Directive 90/220), as was the case in this instance, the prerogatives of the legislative authorities are not infringed upon. This basic legislation was adopted in cooperation with the European Parliament and

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Article 16 of the Directive provides for a second possible comitology procedure in the following case:

"Where a Member State has justifiable reasons to consider that a product which has been properly notified and has received written consent under this Directive constitutes a risk to human health or the environment, it may provisionally restrict or prohibit the use and/or sale of that product on its territory. It shall immediately inform the Commission and the other Member States of such action and give reasons for its decision. A decision shall be taken on the matter within three months in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21 (IIIa)."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Case 25/70, Einfuhrstelle v. Köster, [1970] ECR 1161, see below.

the Parliament could have insisted on different procedures in second reading if it wanted to do so. One may also raise the question of whether using a full legislative procedure for each application would not overextend the capacity of the legislative authorities.

The Commission Decision was adopted in April 1996 without any changes to the proposal<sup>14</sup>.

b) In the second case concerning genetically modified spring Swede rape, the Commission had also asked the Scientific Committee on Plants, which was established by Commission Decision 97/579/EC<sup>15</sup>, for an opinion before it submitted the proposal to the comitology committee.

According to the opinion of the Scientific Committee on Plants<sup>16</sup>, there was "no reason to believe that the import of the product with the aim of processing would have any effects on human health or the environment". The Commission followed the opinion of the Scientific Committee concluding there was "no reason to believe that there will be any adverse effects on human health or the environment from the handling of the product in the environment during import and before and during storage and processing". It approved<sup>19</sup> the placing on the market in accordance with the procedure mentioned above<sup>20</sup>: "...consent shall be given by the competent authorities of the United Kingdom to the placing on the market...of seeds of spring Swede rape... The consent shall cover the placing on the market of the product or handling in the environment during import and before and during storage and processing"<sup>21</sup>.

<sup>96/281/</sup>EC: Commission Decision of 3 April 1996 concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified soya beans (Glycine max L.) with increased tolerance to the herbicide glyphosate, pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC (Text with EEA relevance), Official Journal L 107, 30/04/1996, P. 0010-0011.

<sup>15</sup> OJ L 237/8, 1997.

Under Directive 90/220, the Commission is not obliged to consult a scientific committee, but is free to do so any time. Cp. Article 2 of Decision 97/579: "The Scientific Committees shall be consulted in the cases laid down by Community legislation. The Commission may also decide to consult them on other questions of particular relevance to consumer health and food safety.

Cp. Preamble of Decision 98/291.
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<sup>98/291/</sup>EC: Commission Decision of 22/04/1998 concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring Swede rape (Brassica napus L. ssp. oleifera), pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC (Text with EEA relevance), Official Journal L 131, 05/05/1998, p. 0026 - 0027

According to art. 13 of Council Directive 90/220/EEC the competent national authorities can give their consent to the placing of a product on the market. In cases where - like here - the competent authorities of other Member States raise objections, the Commission shall take a decision in accordance with a IIIa comitology committee procedure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Art. 1.

The same considerations and arguments used in the case of soya beans also apply here and it would be difficult in both cases to argue that the prerogatives of the European Parliament had not been respected since:

- the procedure established in the basic directive which had been adopted by the legislative authorities (in this case the Council in co-operation with the European Parliament) was followed;
- Art. 13 (4) of the basic directive clearly confers on the Commission the competence to take the decision as to whether, in a specific case, a genetically modified organism can be placed on the market or not;
- such a decision concerning the placing on the market cannot be regarded as one concerning a "basic element".

#### Labelling of beef and beef products

The purpose of the draft for a "Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97 as regards the labelling of beef and beef products" is to set up detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97 in accordance with Article 18 of that regulation<sup>22</sup> by establishing a "system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products".

In particular, the draft Commission Regulation proposes the following:

- Art. 1 lays down provisions concerning mutual recognition<sup>23</sup>. These provisions mainly establish time periods in the context of the basic regulation.
- Art. 2 deals with minimum requirements for the specification:
  - "All operators and organizations shall, at each of their various stages of production and sale, have an identification system and a comprehensive registration system applied in such a way as to ensure the link between the identification of the meat and the animal or animals concerned";
- Art. 3 provides for checks: Operators and organizations shall at all times grant the relevant independent body ... and the competent authority access to its premises and access to all records which prove that the information on the labels concerned is correct".
- Art. 4 is particularly problematic as it provides for sanctions to be set up by Member States, specifically:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> OJ L 117/1, 1997.

These are detailed rules regarding sales between Member States so that the labelling system will not lead to distortions of trade on the beef market; aiming also to provide an accelerated/simplified approval procedure.

- 1. Member States shall determine the system of sanctions that shall be applicable in case of breaches of Regulation (EC) No 820/97 and shall take all necessary measures to ensure its implementation. The sanctions provided for shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.
- 2. Without prejudice to the sanctions referred to in Article 21 of Regulation (EC) No 820/97, where beef has been labelled and marketed without compliance with the specification, or where there is no approved specification, Member States shall require its removal from the market until the label is removed or the beef is re-labelled in conformity with this Regulation".

The regulation has been adopted in the meantime<sup>24</sup> and entered into force on 1 July 1997<sup>25</sup>. This case has two problematic elements:

First, the Council regulation (the "basic regulation" 820/97) delegates to the Commission the power to adopt "detailed rules" for the application of the Council regulation<sup>26</sup>. Such an unspecific and wide delegation of implementing powers is questionable with respect to Art. 1 of the "Comitology Decision" which provides that the Council "shall specify the essential elements" of the implementation powers that are delegated, as well as with the respective case law of the European Court of Justice<sup>28</sup>.

However, in this particular case the European Parliament did have the opportunity to give its opinion in the consultation procedure that led to the adoption of the basic regulation 820/97. In this opinion, the EP did not propose any changes to the relevant Article<sup>29</sup>. In particular, the European Parliament refrained from proposing a more restricted delegation of competences. The conclusion is therefore justified that the Parliament did not object to the wide delegation of powers that was proposed by the Commission and finally approved by the Council.

Secondly, the implementing regulation is problematic in itself because it not only provides
for mutual recognition and minimum requirements for the specification (which can be
regarded as non-problematic) but also for checks and sanctions which can have quite far-

We did not receive any information about the voting procedure in the comitology committee.

Commission Regulation 1141/97 of 23 June 1997 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97 as regards the labelling of beef and beef products, OJ L 165, 24/6/1997, p.7.

Art. 18 Council Regulation 820/97.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> OJ L 197/33, 1987.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Case 291/86, 1988 ECR 3679; Case 22/88, 1989 ECR 2049.

Legislative resolution embodying Parliament's opinion on the proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals (COM(96)0460 C4-0545/96 96/0228(CNS)); OJ C 85 p. 77, 17/3/1997.

reaching consequences for individuals. The fundamental question is whether the imposition of sanctions should be possible in implementing measures at all or whether measures of such importance should only be adopted by the legislative authorities because they can be seen as essential elements of the subject matter<sup>30</sup>. On the one hand, since checks and sanctions can have far-reaching consequences for individuals, such a decision can be regarded as being of an essentially legislative nature. On the other hand, the European Parliament had not opposed the wide delegation of powers (which certainly includes the possibility to impose sanctions). Assuming that the conditions and procedures for imposing sanctions are part of the "essential elements" that need to be regulated in the basic act, it must be concluded in this case that the Commission has not exceeded its competences but that the legislative authorities have delegated powers that they should have reserved for themselves.

#### Steering equipment of motor vehicles

The most problematic case is the draft Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Commission Directive 70/311 relating to steering equipment of motor vehicles and their trailers. This Commission Directive has not yet been adopted. It contains some minor and two far-reaching amendments:

Art. 1 of the draft Commission Directive provides for two minor amendments:

- The definition of the term 'vehicle' is changed slightly and adapted to the definition of Art. 2 of Directive 70/156/EEC;
- Art. 2 (2) changes a deadline (with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2000, Member States shall no longer grant EC type-approval and may refuse national type-approval for a type of vehicle on grounds relating to the steering equipment<sup>31</sup>).

There are, however, also two major amendments:

- a) Art. 1(2) of the draft Commission Directive amends the important annexes to Directive 70/311 which contain all the technical details. This change of annexes is, however, clearly in line with the legal basis for the draft Commission Directive since Art. 3 of Council Directive 70/311 (the basic directive) provides that: "the amendments necessary for adjusting the requirements of the annexes so as to take account of technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 13 of the Council Directive 70/156" (IIIa procedure).
- b) Art. 2(1) stipulates that "with effect from 1.10.1998 Member States may not on grounds relating to the doors refuse for any type of vehicle to grant EC type-approval or national

Compare in this sense: Türk, "Case Law in the Area of the Implementation of EC Law", in: Pedler/Schaefer, Shaping European Law and Policy: The Role of Committees and Comitology in the Political Process, European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, 1996, S. 167 (173).

The date had previously been 1 October 1993.

type-approval, or prohibit the sale, registration or entry into service of vehicles." However Art. 2 of the Council Directive (the basic directive) restricts the possible grounds of refusal to steering equipment: "No Member State may refuse to grant EEC type approval or national type approval of a vehicle on grounds relating to its steering equipment if this equipment satisfies the requirements set out in the annex".

This change is not just an adjustment of the annex. It changes the scope of the directive (the content of the basic directive itself, namely its Art. 2 which refers only to steering equipment)<sup>32</sup>. Such an amendment could be regarded as being of a legislative nature, as the content of the original Council Directive is to be changed.

Furthermore, this amendment is also clearly incompatible with the case law of the European Court of Justice and fundamental principles of Community law: it is an infringement of the prerogatives of the legislative authorities since it changes the scope of a legal act which they have adopted: Directive 70/331 applies only to "steering equipment", whereas the proposal extends it to cover "doors". This could only be achieved by amending the basic legal act (Directive 70/331) according to the appropriate legislative procedure (in which the Parliament has at least – as in this case - a right to give its opinion), but not through a legal act which is adopted according to implementing procedures.

The European Court of Justice had already clearly stipulated this principle in 1970 in the famous Köster case:

"... the basic elements of the matter to be dealt with (must be) adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down (by the Treaty). On the other hand, the provisions implementing the basic regulations may be adopted according to a (different) procedure, either by the Council itself or by the Commission by virtue of an authorisation complying with Article 155".

This follows 'both from the legislative scheme of the Treaty, reflected in particular by the last indent of Article 155' and 'the legal concepts recognised in all the Member States'.

Whether a Directive applies only to steering equipment, or also to doors, is, certainly a "basic element of the matter to be dealt with", in particular when the basic directive is a "directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the steering equipment for motor

Therefore it would also not have been possible to use a different legal basis such as Art. 11 of Directive 70/156 which provides as follows:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Any changes which are necessary in order to adapt:

Annexes I, II and III of this Directive, or

<sup>-</sup> the provisions contained in the separate Directives referred to in Annex II and specified in each of those Directives,

to take account of technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 13".

vehicles and their trailers". The change of the scope of the basic directive must be regarded as a violation of the prerogative of the legislative authorities.

The reasoning behind these rulings of the Court is to protect the prerogatives of the European Parliament which would be clearly violated if the proposal was adopted. As Bradley put it, the Court is sensitive "to the necessity to protect Parliament's consultative prerogatives in evaluating whether implementing decisions are intra vires. It has thus admitted annulment actions by Parliament to challenge the validity of implementing legislation adopted by both the Commission and the Council, even where it had no part to play in the adoption of the contested legislation"<sup>33</sup>.

Another good example of this commitment of the European Court of Justice is a recent case<sup>34</sup> where it ruled that:

"... the right to be consulted in accordance with a provision of the Treaty is a prerogative of the Parliament. The Parliament maintains that the effect of the contested regulation ... is to exclude the Parliament from the normal procedure.... According to the Parliament, the question falls within the ambit of the Council's basic regulation based on Article 43 of the Treaty, which provides that the Parliament must be consulted. In so far, therefore, as it criticises the fact that by adopting the contested regulation the Commission has exceeded its powers under the basic regulation, the action seeks to show an infringement of the prerogatives of the Parliament resulting from the lack of competence on the part of the Commission to amend that basic regulation or from the Commission's misuse of powers".

From a legal perspective, we are clearly confronted here with an infringement of the prerogatives of the legislative authorities. From a pragmatic political point of view, it could be argued that extending the scope from steering equipment to doors is of minor importance which does not require a full legislative procedure. Nevertheless, it would have been more appropriate if the Commission had first proposed to the Council and Parliament to amend the basic legal act.

#### V. Conclusion

From our study we can draw the following conclusions:

• The overwhelming majority of the 204 cases examined proved to be routine matters, where conditions were established (e.g. for the award of the Community eco-label for laundry detergents) or annexes were adapted to technical progress (e.g. for cosmetic products).

<sup>34</sup> Case C-156/93, 1995 ECR I-2019.

Kieran St C Bradley, *The European Parliament and Comitology: On the Road to Nowhere?*, European Law Journal, 1997, p.230 (249).

- In our limited sample, we were able to identify the following two critical cases where an infringement of the competences of the legislative authorities are deemed to have taken place:
  - a) Case 1 (labelling of beef and beef products) must be considered as problematic with respect to the wide scope of implementing powers that had been delegated. In this particular case, the European Parliament had made no objections to this broad delegation in its opinion delivered in the course of the consultation procedure which led to the adoption of the basic legal act. This case raises primarily the question of the scope of delegating implementing powers to the executive, i.e. the question of how the legislative authorities can protect their own prerogatives.
  - b) In case 2 (steering equipment of motor vehicles), the Commission has proposed to change the scope and content of the basic directive. If the proposed implementing measure was adopted (it is still pending), it would be a violation of the competences of the European Parliament since the Commission proposed to adopt measures which go beyond the competences which the legislative authorities (the Council in consultation with the European Parliament) had delegated to it and would thereby change the scope of the basic directive.

Admittedly, the database for this study was rather limited and therefore biased. For this reason, it is difficult to fully substantiate the general conclusion that the Commission trespasses on the competence of the legislative authorities. The fact that we found two critical cases, which touch upon two different fundamental issues of the subject matter — the scope of the delegation of implementing powers to the executive and the "improper" use of these powers by the executive — warrants further, more systematic inquiry into the subject matter.

Such a study would have to extend the database to all Commission implementing measures since 1995. It would have to use the Commission's documents in order to draw a systematic and representative sample of at least 500 measures which would then have to be analysed using the procedures applied in our study. Such an inquiry would allow for a general assessment and evaluation of the practice of comitology.

It would also provide the possibility of developing general guidelines for both the delegation of implementing powers to the executive and the use of these powers. Finally, it could also provide important input for the critical evaluation of the Commission's proposal for a revision of the Council's "Comitology Decision" of 1987<sup>35</sup>.

<sup>35</sup> OJ C 279/5-7, 1998.

Tables

Table 1: Overview of Proposed Implementing Measures Forwarded to the EP

#### The measures analysed are grouped by EP Committee

EP Committee	Number of documents forwarded by the Commission to the EP <sup>1</sup>
1. Committee on Economic & Monetary Affairs	132
2. Committee on the Environment	135
3. Committee on Legal Affairs & Citizens' Rights	8
4. Committee on Budgets	1
5. Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development	907
6. Committee on Culture, Youth, Education & the Media	1
7. Committee on Fisheries	48
8. Committee on Regional Policy	73
9. Committees, e.g. Transport	65
Total number of documents	1376

These numbers are based on the list forwarded by the EP to the EIPA-team, documenting the implementing measures forwarded to the EP by the Commission under the Plumb Delors agreement and the "modus vivendi" since 1998. However, it is important to note that these are only approximations as some of the documentation was, according to the members of the secretariat of the committee, not forwarded to the committees themselves but only documented in the database.

Table 2: Voting and Committee Decisions on a Sample of Implementing Measures

	Subject of document	Type of Committee	Voting	Result
PMC No.				
0000	Draft Commission Directive for the composition of processed cereal-based foods and baby foods intended for particular nutritional use by infants and young children in good health	Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (IIIa)	75 pro, 10 contra, 2 abstentions	positive
0010	Draft of a Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the community ecolabel to laundry detergents	Committee set up by Art. 7, Regulation 92/880/EEC (IIIa)	72 pro, 15 contra	positive
0028	Draft Commission Directive amending a Council Directive concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market	Standing Committee on Plant Health (IIIa)	unanimity	positive
0088	Draft for a Commission Directive on foods intended for use in energy restricted diets for weight reduction	Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (IIIa)	72 pro, 15 contra	positive
0165	Proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the formats relating to the database system pursuant to an EP and Council Directive on packaging and packaging waste	Committee set up by Art. 21, Directive 94/62/EEC (IIIa)	80 pro, 2 contra, 1 Member State absent	positive
0182	Draft Commission Decision adapting annexes IIA and IIB to Council Directive 75/442/EEC on waste	Committee set up by Art. 18, Directive 75/442/EEC (IIIa)	80 pro, 2 Members absent	positive
0184	Draft Commission Directive amending a Commission Directive relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs	Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (IIIa)	unanimity	positive

No information on the voting procedure could be obtained for the following Commission proposals: PMC No. 0037 (Draft Commission Directive laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs, comitology committee IIIa), PMC No. 0038 (Draft working document for a Commission decision amending Commission Decision 92/446/EEC which focuses on questionnaires relating to directives in the water sector, comitology committee IIa), PMC comitology committee IIb), PMC No. 0728 (Draft of a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97/EC No. 0070 (Rules for consumer declarations of specific use relating to certain substances used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products, comitology committee IIa).

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0203	or a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market lly modified soya beans with increased tolerance to the herbicide	Committee set up by Art. 21, Directive 90/220/EEC (IIIa)	74 pro, 11 confra, 2 abstentions	positive
0226	Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and III to a Council Regulation concerning the export and import of certain dangerous	Committee set up by Art. 29, Directive 67/548/EEC	62 pro, 25 contra	positive
0754	Draft of a Commission Regulation concerning the compulsory indication on the labelling of certain foodstuffs produced from genetically modified organisms of particulars other than those provided for in Directive 79/112/EEC.	Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (IIIa)	unanimity	positive
6620	Proposal for a Regulation amending a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the implementation of a Council Regulation on the production of forests assured atmospheric pollution	Standing Forestry Committee (IIIa)	unanimity	positive
0802	Draft Commission Directive of adapting to technical progress a Council Directive relating to equipment of motor vehicles and their trailers	Committee for the Adaption to Technical Progress (IIIa)	84 pro, one Member absent	positive
0875	Proposal for a Commission Recommendation on interconnection pricing in	ONP Committee (I)	no voting¹	not applicable
0860	Set of proposals for award of action submitted to TAC committee to give an opinion	Telematics in Administrations Committee (IIIa)	unanimity	positive

As the ONP Committee in question is an advisory committee, no formal voting procedure took place. However, it is stated that the committee largely supported the principles proposed in the Commission recommendation.

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0985	Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending the Council Regulation on Committee on Trade in Wild the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein Fauna and Flora (IIIa)	Committee on Trade in Wild Fauna and Flora (IIIa)	79 pro, 8 contra	positive
1015	Proposal for a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the Standing Committee on conformity of construction products as regards prefabricated stair kits  Construction (IIIa)	Standing Committee on Construction (IIIa)	64 pro, 10 contra, 13 abstentions	positive
1169	Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market Committee set up by Art. 21, of genetically modified spring Swede rape pursuant to Council Directive Directive 90/220/EEC (IIIa) 90/220/EEC		63 pro, 15 contra, 9 abstentions	positive
1197	Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress a Committee for the Adaption Council Directive relating to the suppression of radio interference caused by to Technical Progress (IIIa) engines fitted to tractors	Committee for the Adaption to Technical Progress (IIIa)	no voting yet	<b>Sen</b> .

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#### SHORT DESCRIPTIONS

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#### **EP - ECONOMIC COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0547
- b) Identification-number by Commission n°SEC (87)1356/22 (FR)
- c) DG of Commission DG XXI/B/4
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Customs code committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council regulation 2658/87/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council regulation 2658/87 EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 13/02/1997

#### Short description

Two proposals for regulation put forward by the Commission relating to the classification of certain merchandise within combined nomenclature.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0657
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/385/97
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Customs Code Committee
- f) legal basis for measure -
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/04/1997

#### Short description

Commission Regulation concerning the classification of certain goods in the combined nomenclature.

- a) PMC number 0658
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° XXI/468/97 (FR)
- c) DG of Commission DG XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Customs code committee
- f) legal basis for measure -
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -28/04/1997

#### **Short description**

Proposal for regulation put forward by the Commission relating to the classification of certain merchandise within combined nomenclature.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0659
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/553/97
- c) **DG of Commission** XXI
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Nomenclature committee
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 9 Regulation 2658/87
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Regulation 2658/87
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/04/1997

#### **Short description**

Classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature.

- a) PMC number 0722
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° 97/210 rev.1
- c) DG of Commission DG XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, amended by Directive 93/68/EEC, art. 13(4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, amended by Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -4/06/1997

#### **Short description**

Proposal by the Commission on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction - pursuant to Article 20 (2) of Council Directive 98/106/EEC – as regards non load-bearing permanent shuttering systems based on hollow blocks or panels of insulating materials and, sometimes, concrete.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0723
- b) Identification-number by Commission 97/214 rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), 13 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -04/06/1997

#### **Short description**

Project of a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products pursuant to Art. 20 (2) of Council Directive 89/106/EEC.

- a) PMC number 0724
- b) Identification-number by Commission n°96/157 rev. 3
- c) **DG of Commission** DG XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure 89/106/EEC, amended by Directive 93/68/EEC, art. 13(4)
- g) legal basis for committee 89/106/EEC, amended by Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 04/06/1997

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products – pursuant to Article 20 (2) of Council Directive 89/106/EEC as regards floorings.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0791
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° PA-15-97/07/999
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Proposal for a EP and Council Decision amending Decision 92/481/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee 92/481/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -8/7/1997

#### Short description

Proposal for a European Parliament and Council decision amending Decision 92/481/EEC of 22 September 1992 on the adoption of an action plan for the exchange between Member State administrations of national officials who are engaged in the implementation of Community legislation required to achieve the internal market (Karolus programme).

- a) PMC number 0802
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5454/95 rev. 5
- c) DG of Commission HI/E/5
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the adaptation to technical progress (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 3 Council Directive 70/311/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 13 Council Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -23/07/1997

#### Short description

Draft Commission Directive of adapting to technical progress Council Directive 70/311/EEC relating to equipment of motor vehicles and their trailers.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 0875**
- b) Identification-number by Commission ONPCOM97-29
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ONP Committee (1)
- f) legal basis for measure -
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 9 Council Directive 90/387
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/09/1997

#### **Short description**

Project of a Commission Recommendation on interconnection pricing in a liberalised telecommunications market.

- a) PMC number 0889
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/222
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/09/1997

#### **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards flat glass, profiled glass and glass block products.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0890
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/235
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/09/1997

#### Short description

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards structural metallic products and ancillaries.

- a) PMC number 0891
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/242
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/09/1997

## Short description

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards internal and external wall and ceiling finishes.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0892
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/240
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/11/1997

## Short description

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards roof coverings, roof lights, roof windows and ancillary products.

- a) PMC number 0893
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/244
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/09/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards internal partition kits/systems.

## Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0934
- b) Identification-number by Commission PA-03-97/10-1465
- c) **DG of Commission DG III**
- c) **EP Committee Economy**
- d) Comitology-committee committee on medical devices
- e) legal basis for measure -90/385/EEC, art. 6 (2), 93/42/EEC art. 7
- f) legal basis for committee 90/385/EEC & 93/42/EEC
- g) date of transmission to the EP 14/10/97

## **Short description**

Adoption of rules of procedure for committee on medical devices.

- a) PMC number 0964
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/1502/97
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Customs Code Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2658/87/EEC, Art. 9, 12
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 2658/87/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -04/11/1997

## **Short description**

Project of Commission Regulation amending Annex I to the above-mentioned Council Regulation on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0980
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° PA-03-97/11-1630
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee TAC Telematics in Administrations Committee (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Decision 95/468/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 4 Council Decision 95/468/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/11/1997

### **Short description**

Set of proposals for award of action submitted to TAC committee to give an opinion.

- a) PMC number 0983
- b) Identification-number by Commission OJ-23-97/11-1631 (EN)
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee TEN Guidelines Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Decision 1396/97/EC of EP and Council, Art. 8
- g) legal basis for committee Decision 1396/97/EC of EP and Council, Art. 8
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/11/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision adopting the work programme and the content of three calls for proposals under the above-mentioned Decision of EP and Council on a series of guidelines for trans-European telecommunications networks.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0996
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/1677/97
- c) **DG of Commission** XXI
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Nomenclature committee
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 9 Regulation 2658/87
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Regulation 2658/87
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/11/1997

### **Short description**

Classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature (cloths).

- a) PMC number 1014
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 96/251
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/11/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards post-tensioning kits for the prestressing of structures.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1015
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/252
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/002
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Construction (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/06/98

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products as regards prefabricated stair kits.

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- a) PMC number 1016
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/262
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/11/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards construction products falling outside the scope of other such decisions.

## Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1019
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 96/172
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 3, 6 and 20 of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -1/12/1997

### **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products.

- a) **PMC number** 1022
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/1623/97;948/97
- c) DG of Commission XXI
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Nomenclature committee
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 9 Regulation 2658/87
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Regulation 2658/87
- h) date of transmission to the EP -1/12/1997

## Short description

Classification of certain products into the common customs tariff (yeast, wheat).

## Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1023
- b) Identification-number by Commission SEC(87) 13356/2
- c) **DG of Commission** XXI/1477/97;14756/97;1352/97;1444/97
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Nomenclature committee
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 9 Regulation 2658/87
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Regulation 2658/87
- h) date of transmission to the EP 1/12/1997

#### Short description

Classification of certain products into the common customs tariff (alcoholic drinks).

- a) PMC number 1091
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 12
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE TELLIN
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation on ISDN (CTR3).

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number -** 1093
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 14
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation on GSM Telephony (CTR20 Edition 2).

- a) PMC number 1094
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 15
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation on Low Rate Land Mobile Satellite Earth Stations (CTR027).

## Classification of document

- a) **PMC number -** 1095
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 16
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Very Small Aperture Terminals.

- a) PMC number 1096
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 17
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/97/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Satellite News Gathering Transportable Earth Stations (CTR030).

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1097
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 18
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for ISDN (CTR33).

- a) PMC number 1098
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 19
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for ISDN (CTR34).

## Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1099
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 40 (97) 20
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/12/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on DCS 1800 Telephony.

- a) PMC number 1132
- b) Identification-number by Commission XIII/ACTE 41 (98) 1
- c) DG of Commission XIII
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee ACTE (Approvals Committee for Terminal Equipment)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 6(2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/263/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/01/1998

### Short description

Project of a Decision of the Commission on a common technical regulation for the attachment requirements for connection to the analogue Public Switched Telephone Networks of terminal equipment.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1173**
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5321/97
- c) **DG of Commission III/0/02**
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 74/151/EEC, Art. 2
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

### Short description

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/151/EEC on certain components and characteristics of tractors.

- a) PMC number 1174
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5342/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 5, 13, Directive 74/152/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/152/EEC relating to the maximum design speed and load platforms of tractors.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1175
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5343/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 74/346/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

### Short description

Draft proposal for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/346/EEC relating to rear view mirrors of tractors.

- a) PMC number 1176
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5344/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive
- 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 75/321/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 75/321/EEC relating to the steering equipment of tractors.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1177
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5345/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 5, 13, Directive 75/322/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 75/322/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

#### Short description

Draft proposal for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 75/322/EEC relating to the suppression of radio interference caused by engines to tractors.

- a) PMC number 1178
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5467/97
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 76/763/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1997

## Short description

Draft proposal for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 76/763/EEC relating to passenger seats for tractors.

## Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1188 rev.
- b) Identification-number by Commission SCAC no. 185 rev. 3
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Comité permanent de la cooperation administrative
- f) legal basis for measure Decision 888/98/EC of Council and EP, Art. 5, 10, 11, 12
- g) legal basis for committee Decision 888/98/EC of Council and EP
- h) date of transmission to the EP -09/06/1998

### Short description

Project of a Commission Decision concerning the implementation of the Decision 888/98/EC of Council and EP on the adoption of a programme of community action aimed at improving the systems of indirect taxation of the internal market (programme FISCALIS).

- a) PMC number 1193
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5321/97
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 74/151/EEC, Art. 2
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/151/EEC relating to certain components and characteristics of tractors.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1194**
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5342/97
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 5, 13, Directive 74/152/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/152/EEC relating to the maximum design speed and load platforms of tractors.

- a) PMC number 1195
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5343/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Directive 74/346/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 74/346/EEC relating to rear view mirrors for tractors.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number -** 1196
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5344/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Council Directive 75/321/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

#### Short description

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 75/321/EEC relating to the steering equipment of tractors.

- a) PMC number 1197
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5345/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 5, 13, Council Directive 75/322/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 75/322/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## Short description

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 75/322/EEC relating to the suppression of radio interference caused by engines fitted to tractors.

## Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1198
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5467/97
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaption to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 74/150/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/54/EC, Art. 4, 13, Council Directive 76/763/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

### **Short description**

Draft proposal for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 76/763/EEC relating to passenger seats for tractors.

- a) PMC number 1200
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/268
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## Short description

Project of a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting conformity of construction products (self-supporting translucent roof kits).

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1201
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/270
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## Short description

Project of a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting conformity of construction products (liquid applied roof waterproofing kits).

- a) PMC number 1202
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/272
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## Short description

Project of a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (concrete, mortar, grout and related products).

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1203
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/274
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

#### **Short description**

Project of a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting conformity of construction products (road construction products).

- a) PMC number 1204
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/276
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3) and (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## **Short description**

Project of a Commission decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (aggregates).

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1231
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° III/5327/96 rév.3
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee -
- f) legal basis for measure 70/156/EEC, art. 10
- g) legal basis for committee 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 119/3/1998

## Short description

Draft for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 76/761/EEC concerning the harmonisation of legislation of the member states relating to projectors for motor vehicles and their trailers.

- a) PMC number 1233
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° III/5329/96 rév.2
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Committee for Adaptation to Technical Progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 70/156/EEC, amended by EP and Council Directive 97/27/EC, Art. 13 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/03/98

## **Short-description**

Draft for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 77/538/EEC relating to fog lamps for motor vehicles and their trailers.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1234
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° III/5330/96 rév.2
- c) DG of Commission DG III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Committee for Adaptation to Technical Progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 70/156/EEC, amended by EP and Council Directive 97/27/EC, Art. 13 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/03/98

## **Short-description**

Draft for Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 77/540/EEC relating to parking lamps for motor vehicles.

- a) PMC number 1235
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° III/5328/96 rév.3
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Committee for Adaption to Technical Progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 70/156/EEC, amended by Council Directive 97/27/EC, art. 113 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/3/98

## **Short description**

Draft for Commission directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 76/762/EEC relating to front fog lamps to motor vehicles.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** –1333
- b) Identification-number by Commission n° SCAC 194 rév 2 (FR)
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Comité permanent de la coopération administrative
- f) legal basis for measure 888/98/EC
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP 09/06/98

### Short description

Project for a decision by the Commission concerning certain measures necessary for carrying out some activities connected to systems of exchange of information and communication within the program of FISCALIS.

- a) PMC number 1334
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 42 (98) 2
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 7 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 29 (2)
- h) date of transmission to the EP 09/06/1998

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Low Data Rate Land Mobile Satellite Earth Stations (CTR26).

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number -** 1335
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 42 (98) 5
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 7 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 29 (2)
- h) date of transmission to the EP 09/06/1998

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Land Mobile Satellite Earth Stations (CTR44).

- a) PMC number 1336
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 42 (97) 3
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 7 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 29 (2)
- h) date of transmission to the EP 09/06/1998

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Analogue Handset Telephony (CTR038).

## Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1337
- b) Identification-number by Commission ACTE 42 (97) 4
- c) **DG of Commission III/0/02**
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ACTE
- f) legal basis for measure Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 7 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 98/13/EC, Art. 29 (2)
- h) date of transmission to the EP 09/06/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on a common technical Regulation for Very Small Aperture Terminals Satellite Earth Stations (CTR43).

- a) PMC number 1354
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/285
- c) **DG of Commission** III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/06/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (precast normal/lightweight/autoclaved aerated concrete products).

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1355
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/287
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/06/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal on a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (doors, windows etc.).

- **a) PMC number 1356**
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/288
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/06/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal on a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (membranes).

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1357
- b) Identification-number by Commission CONSTRUCT 98/291
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Construction
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC, Art. 13 (3), (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/106/EEC, Directive 93/68/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/06/1998

## Short description

Draft proposal on a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products (light composite wood-based beams and columns).

- a) PMC number 1358
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 98/289
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP-19/06/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as regards thermal insulating products.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1359
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 98/293
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/06/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as construction adhesives.

- a) PMC number 1360
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/272
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Construction
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 13 (4) of Directive 89/106
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/06/1997

## **Short description**

Procedure for Attesting Conformity of Construction Products as concrete, mortar, grout and related products.

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# **EP - ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0001
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission —
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 Regulation 3626/82
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Regulation 3626/82
- h) date of transmission to the EP -1/2/95

## **Short description**

Implementation in the Community of the Convention on international trade in endangered species or wild fauna and flora.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0004
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5769/93
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 and 13 Directive 89/398
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 13 Directive 89/398
- h) date of transmission to the EP -20/2/95

### **Short description**

Formulae and follow-on formulae in infant nutrition.

- a) PMC number 0005
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5886/94
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 and Annex 1 of Council Directive 89/398
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 13 Council Directive 89/398
- h) date of transmission to the EP -20/2/95

## Short description

Composition of processed cereal-based foods and baby foods intended for particular nutritional use by infants and young children in good health.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0006
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee for Food
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 3 Directive 93/5
- g) legal basis for committee Decision 69/414
- h) date of transmission to the EP 21/2/95

#### Short description

Inventory of tasks to be undertaken by Member States within the framework of co-operation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

- a) PMC number 0009
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5518/94
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP -21/2/95

## Short description

Compulsory indication on the labelling of certain foodstuffs.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0010
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/454/94
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92 (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) of Council Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Council Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/2/95

### Short description

Draft of a Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the community eco-label to laundry detergents.

- a) PMC number 0011
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/455/94
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 5 (1) of Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee -Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/2/95

# **Short description**

Establishment of ecological criteria for the award of the community eco-label to indoor paints and varnishes.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0028
- b) Identification-number by Commission 7171/VI/94
- c) **DG of Commission** VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Plant Health (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 18 (2) Council Directive 91/414
- g) legal basis for committee Decision 76/894
- h) date of transmission to the EP 11/4/95

## **Short description**

Draft Commission Directive amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market.

- a) PMC number 0030
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/200/93
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) of Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/4/95

## Short description

Establishment of ecological criteria for the award of the community eco-label to single-ended light bulbs.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0037
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Food Stuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 3 (3) Directive Council 89/107
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 11 Directive Council 89/107
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/5/95

### Short description

Draft Commission Directive laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

- **a) PMC number 0038**
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee established by Art. 6 of Directive 91/692 (2a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 13 (1) Council Directive 76/464
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 6 of Directive 91/692
- h) date of transmission to the EP -12/5/95

## Short description

Draft working document for a Commission decision amending Commission Decision 92/446/EEC of 27 of July 1992 which focuses on questionnaires relating to directives in the water sector.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0040
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5345/95
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Food Stuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 6 (5) (b) Directive 79/112
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 17 Directive 79/112
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/6/95

### **Short description**

Approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs for sale to the ultimate consumer.

- a) PMC number 0053
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- c) Comitology-committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 (3) and 5 (3) of Directive 91/271
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 18 Directive 91/271
- h) date of transmission to the EP -31/5/95

## **Short description**

Urban waste water treatment.

# Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0055
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/394/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 8/6/95

### **Short description**

Establishment of ecological criteria for the award of the community eco-label to double-ended light bulbs.

- a) PMC number 0056
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/395/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) Regulation 880/92
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 8/6/95

# Short description

Establishment of ecological criteria for the award of the community eco-label to bed linen and T-shirts.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0070
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3806/94
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up under Art. 10 of Council Regulation 3677/90 (2b)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 2 (1) (b) Council Directive 92/109/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 10 of Council Regulation 3677/90
- h) date of transmission to the EP 6/7/95

### Short description

Rules for consumer declarations of specific use relating to certain substances used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.

- a) PMC number 0071
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/5668/95-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Directive 94/79/EC, Art. 8 (2), Commission Regulation 3600/92/EEC, Regulation 491/95/EC, Art. 6 (5), Commission Regulation 933/94/EC, Annexes I and II
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Directive 94/79/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 06/07/1995

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending certain provisions of Regulation 933/94/EC establishing a list of active substances in phytopharmaceutical products and designing the Member States reporters for the implementation of Regulation 3600/92.

# Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0088
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5138/94 Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee on foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/398/EEC, Art. 4 and Annex I
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/09/1995

### Short description

Draft for a Commission Directive on foods intended for use in energy restricted diets for weight reduction.

- a) PMC number 0089
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5256/95 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee for food
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 93/5/EEC, Art. 3, Commission Decision 94/458/EC, Commission Decision 94/652/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 93/5/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/09/1995

### **Short description**

Draft for a Commission Decision amending Commission Decision 94/652/EC establishing the inventory and distribution of tasks to be undertaken within the framework of co-operation by Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0090
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 3626/82/EEC, Commission Regulation 558/95/EEC, Art. 4
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 3626/82/EEC, Commission Regulation 558/95/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -25/09/1995

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Council Regulation 3626/82/EEC on the implementation in the Community of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

- a) PMC number 0091
- b) Identification-number by Commission 1642/VI/95 Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Council Directive 94/79/EC, Art. 18 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Council Directive 94/79/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -11/10/1995

## Short description

Draft for a Commission Directive amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0147
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/616/94 Rev. 4
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/12/1994

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of a product consisting of a genetically modified organism, hybrid herbicide-tolerant swede-rape seeds pursuant to Art. 13 of Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

- a) PMC number 0163
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5538/95
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee for Foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 93/43/EEC, Art. 3
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/10/1995

# Short description

Draft for a Commission Directive granting a derogation for the transport of bulk liquid oils and fats by sea from the provisions of Council Directive 93/43/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0164
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/492/95 Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP 30/10/1995

### **Short description**

Draft for a Commission Decision establishing the identification system for packaging materials pursuant to Art. 8 (2) of EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.

- a) PMC number 0165
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/535/95 final Rev.
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 12 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP -30/10/1995

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the formats relating to the database system pursuant to EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.

# Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0182
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/75/95-EN final Rev.
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 75/442/EEC, Council Directive 91/156/EEC, Art. 17
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -27/11/1995

### Short description

Draft Commission Decision adapting annexes IIA and IIB to Council Directive 75/442/EEC on waste, in the version as amended by Council Directive 91/156/EEC.

- a) PMC number 0184
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5436/95-EN Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/109/EEC, Art. 3
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 01/12/1995

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Directive amending Commission Directive 90/128/EEC relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0187
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/492/95 final Rev.
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP -01/12/1995

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the identification system for packaging materials pursuant to EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.

- a) PMC number 0203
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/544/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP -29/02/1996

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified soya beans with increased tolerance to the herbicide glyphosate pursuant to Directive 90/220/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0209
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/469/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/03/1996

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified maize pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

- **a) PMC number 0210**
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/534/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/03/1996

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified male sterile chicory pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0218
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5151/96
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Food
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 93/5/EEC, Art. 3, Commission Decisions 94/458/EC, 94/652/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 93/5/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -09/04/1996

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Commission Decision 94/652/EC establishing the inventory and distribution of tasks to be undertaken within the framework of co-operation by Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

- a) PMC number 0221
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXIV/1223/96
- c) **DG of Commission XXIV**
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the Adaptation to Technical Progress of the Directives on the Removal of Technical Barriers to Trade in the Cosmetics Products Sector
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Commission Directive 95/34/EC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/04/1996

## **Short description**

Draft 19<sup>th</sup> Commission Directive adapting to technical progress annexes II, III, VI and VII to Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0222
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXIV/1224/96
- c) DG of Commission XXIV
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the Adaptation to Technical Progress of the Directives on the Removal of Technical Barriers to Trade in the Cosmetics Products Sector
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Commission Directive 95/34/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/04/1996

#### **Short description**

Draft 7<sup>th</sup> Commission Directive relating to methods of analysis necessary for checking the composition of cosmetic products.

- a) PMC number 0226
- b) Identification-number by Commission EXPORT/3/96
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 29 of Council Directive 67/548/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC, Art. 11 (2) and (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 29 of Council Directive 67/548/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -29/04/1996

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and III to Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC concerning the export and import of certain dangerous chemicals.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0227
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/220/96
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 7
- h) date of transmission to the EP 30/04/1996

### **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to copying paper.

- a) PMC number 0228
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/224/96
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 7
- h) date of transmission to the EP -30/04/1996

### Short description

Draft of a Commission Decision establishing revised ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to washing machines.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0230
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3534/96
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the Adaptation to Technical Progress of the Directives on the Removal of Technical Barriers to Trade in Dangerous Substances and Preparations
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 88/379/EEC, Commission Directive 93/18/EEC, Art. 6 and 15
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 88/379/EEC, Commission Directive 93/18/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -30/04/1996

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 88/379/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous preparations and modifying Directive 91/442/EEC on dangerous preparations, the packaging of which must be fitted with child-resistant fastenings.

- a) PMC number 0240
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3538/96
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the Adaptation to Technical Progress of the Directives on the Removal of Technical Barriers to Trade in Dangerous Substances and Preparations
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/769/EEC, Directive 94/60/EC, Art. 2a, introduced by Directive 89/678/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/769/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -20/05/1996

## **Short description**

Draft Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Annex I to Council Directive 76/769/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to restrictions on the marketing and the use of certain dangerous substances and preparations.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0359
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/3080/93
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 315/93/EEC, Art. 2
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/10/1996

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Regulation setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs.

- a) PMC number 0360
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 315/93/EEC, Art. 2
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC. Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/10/1996

#### Short description

Draft Commission Regulation setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0382
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/0488/96
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up pursuant to Art. 9 of Directive 91/676/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/676/EEC, Annex III (2)b
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/676/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -23/10/1996

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the rejection of a request for derogation under Annex III (2)b of Council Directive 91/676/EEC on protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources.

- a) **PMC number** 0431
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/601/96
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up by Art. 5 of Regulation 3254/91/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 3254/91/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 3254/91/EEC, Art. 5
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/11/1996

## **Short description**

Draft for a Commission Regulation laying down provisions on the certification of goods covered by Council Regulation 3254/91/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0421
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXIV/1703/96
- c) DG of Commission XXIV
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in cosmetic products
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Directive 96/41/EC, Art. 12
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/11/1996

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Annexes II, III, VI and VII of Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products.

- a) PMC number 0426
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/348/96
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 16 of Directive 94/67/EC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 94/67/EC, Art. 7 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 94/67/EC, Art. 16
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/11/1996

### Short description

Draft Commission Decision on harmonised measurement methods to determine the mass concentration of dioxins and furans in atmospheric emissions in accordance with Art 7 (2) of Council Directive 94/67/EC on the incineration of hazardous waste.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0444
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3599/96
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the Directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in dangerous substances and preparations
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/769/EEC, Directive 94/60/EC, Art. 2a, introduced by Directive 89/678/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/769/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -25/11/1996

### Short description

Draft Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Annex I to Council Directive 76/769/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to restrictions on the marketing and use of certain dangerous substances and preparations.

- a) PMC number 0518
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure EC Treaty, Art. 130s, Council Directive 91/271/EEC, Art. 5 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -27/01/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive amending Directive 91/271/EEC concerning urban waste water treatment.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0545
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8525/96-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 13/02/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the amendment of annex I of Council Directive 91/414/EEC on the placing on the market of certain phytopharmaceutical products.

- a) PMC number 0556
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in cosmetic products
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Directive 96/41/EC, Art. 4, para. 1
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -21/02/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive concerning the date from which experiments on animals for cosmetic products are forbidden.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0557
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in cosmetic products
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Commission Directive 97/1/EC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -21/02/1998

### **Short description**

Draft 21st Commission Directive adapting to technical progress some annexes to Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products.

- a) PMC number 0601
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/9248/96-FR
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/03/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision relating to the amendment of annex I of Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing on the market of phytopharmaceutical products.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0626
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/124/97
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 94/15/EC, Art. 20
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 04/04/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time Council Directive 90/220/EEC on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms.

- a) PMC number 0642
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXIV/DO1464
- c) **DG of Commission XXIV**
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for directives relating to denominations and labelling of textiles
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 96/74/EC, Art. 16 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 96/74/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 15/04/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress annexes I and II of EP and Council Directive 96/74/EC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to textile denominations.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 0728**
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/2869/97 Rev. 3
- c) **DG of Commission** VI.D.2
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Management Committee for beef and veal (2a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 820/97, Art. 18
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 27 Council Regulation 805/68
- h) date of transmission to the EP -16/06/1997

#### **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97/EC establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products.

- a) PMC number 0741
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/5170/97-FR
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Decision 90/424/EEC, Decision 94/370/EC, Art. 20, 28 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 90/424/EEC, Decision 94/370/E
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/06/1997

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decisions 96/23/EC, 96/98/EC, 96/99/EC, 96/102/EC and 97/32/EC concerning the presentation of supporting and financial documents linked to Community financial contributions for certain animal and public health measures.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 0745**
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/112/97
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for adaption to technical and scientific progress
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 79/409/EEC, Art. 15
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 79/409/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/06/1997

### Short description

Draft of a Commission Directive amending Council Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds.

- a) PMC number 0754
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5268/97 Rev.2
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee for foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 79/112/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/4/EC, Art. 4 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 23/06/1997

### Short description

Draft of a Commission Regulation concerning the compulsory indication on the labelling of certain foodstuffs produced from genetically modified organisms of particulars other than those provided for in Directive 79/112/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 0792**
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 08/07/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision modifying Commission Decision 96/304/EC establishing ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to bed linen and T-shirts.

- a) PMC number 0799
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing forestry committee (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 3528/86/EEC, Regulation 307/97/EC, Art. 3, (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Council Regulation 3528/86/EEC, Regulation 307/97/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/07/1997

## Short description

Proposal for a Regulation amending Commission Regulation 1091/94/EC laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation 3528/86 on the protection of forest against atmospheric pollution.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0809
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 6 of Council Directive 91/692/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/692/EEC, Art. 5, 6, Council Directive 94/67/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 6 of Council Directive 91/692/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/07/1997

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning a questionnaire for Member States reports on the implementation of Council Directive 94/67/EC on the incineration of hazardous waste.

- a) PMC number 0879
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5853/rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the adaption to technical progress established by Directive 70/156/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 70/220/EEC, Directive 96/69/EC, Directive 70/156/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 04/11/1997

# Short description

Draft of a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 70/220/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to measures to be taken against air pollution by emissions from motor vehicles.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 0883**
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/155/97 Rev. 3
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the Directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in dangerous substances and preparations
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 67/548/EEC, EP and Council Directive 96/56/EC, Art. 28
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 67/548/EEC, EP and Council Directive 96/56/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/09/1997

### **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress for the 23<sup>rd</sup> time Council Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances.

- a) PMC number 0939
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/302/97 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 16 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 14/10/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the provisional prohibition of the use and sale of genetically modified maize in Luxembourg.

## Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0940
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/282/97 Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 16 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -14/10/1997

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the provisional prohibition of the use and sale of genetically modified maize in Austria.

- a) PMC number 0966
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 9 of Directive 91/676/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/676/EEC, Annex III para. 2(b)
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 91/676/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -31/10/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the rejection of a request for derogation concerning protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0971
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on trade in wild fauna and flora
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 338/97, Art. 19 (3), Commission Regulation 938/97
- g) legal basis for committee Regulation 338/97, Art. 18
- h) date of transmission to the EP 06/11/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation establishing restrictions on the introduction into the Community of specimens of certain species of wild fauna and flora.

- a) PMC number 0984
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Decision 97/35/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/E
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/11/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified maize.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0985
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/441/97
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on trade in wild fauna and flora (3b)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 338/97, Art. 19 (3), Commission Regulation 938/97
- g) legal basis for committee Regulation 338/97, Art. 18
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/11/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Council Regulation 338/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein.

- a) PMC number 1017
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee on foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/398/EEC, Art. 4
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -26/11/1997

### Short description

Draft Commission Directive amending Directive 96/5/EC on processed cereal-based foods and baby foods for infants and young children.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1018
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7087/97
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Comité d'application pour les boissons spiritueuses
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 1576/89, Art. 1 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 1576/89, Art. 1 (4)
- h) date of transmission to the EP -26/11/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Regulation 1014/90/EEC laying down detailed implementing rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks.

- a) PMC number 1046
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8330/97 Rev.1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/662/EEC, Art. 9 (4), Directive 92/118/EC, Directive 90/425/EEC, Art. 10 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/662/EEC, Directive 92/118/EC, Directive 90/425/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 03/12/1997

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decision 96/385/EC approving the plan for control and eradication of the BSE in the UK.

# Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1056
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7899/97-FR Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee of funds
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 820/97/EC, Art. 10 f)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 820/97/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 08/12/1997

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation laying down detailed implementing rules for a system of identification and registration of bovine animals.

- a) PMC number 1058
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8326/97-FR Rev.1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Decision 95/408/EC, Decision 97/34/EC, Art. 2 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 95/408/EC, Decision 97/34/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 08/12/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decision 97/569/EC on drawing up provisional lists of third country establishments from which the Member States authorise import of meat products.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1059**
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7873/97-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Decision 95/408/EC, Directive 97/34/EC, Art. 2 (4), Commission Decision 97/222/EC, Commission Decision 97/221/EC, Commission Decision 97/365/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 95/408/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -08/12/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decision 97/569/EC on drawing up provisional lists of third country establishments from which the Member States authorise import of bovine, pork, etc. products.

- a) PMC number 1080
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee on foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 79/112/EEC, EP and Council Directive 97/4/EC, Art. 4 (2), Council Directive 90/220/EEC, EP and Council Regulation 258/97/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -22/12/1997

### **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Regulation concerning the compulsory indication on the labelling of certain foodstuffs produced from genetically modified organisms of particulars other than those provided for in Directive 79/112/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1106
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in cosmetic products
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/01/1998

### **Short description**

Draft proposal of a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress some annexes to Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products.

- a) PMC number 1124
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/5709/97 Rev. 2
- c) **DG of Commission** VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee of foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 85/591/EEC, Art. 1, Council Directive 93/99/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -21/01/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive on the modes of drawing samples and analysis methods for the control of food.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1126**
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1716/98-FR
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 72/462/EEC, Art. 4, Art. 18
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 72/462/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -21/01/1998

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on amending Decision 87/257/EEC on the list of establishments of the USA permitted to the import of fresh meat in the Community.

- a) PMC number 1128
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7859/97-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Directive 97/14/EC, Art. 15 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Directive 97/14/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 21/01/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decision 96/301/EC concerning the control of Pseudomonas solanacearum (Smith).

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1139
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8801/97-FR Rev.1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 96/23/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 96/23/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/02/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the surveillance plan for the research of residues or substances in living animals or their products as presented by the UK.

- a) PMC number 1140
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8803/97-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 96/23/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 96/23/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -05/02/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the surveillance plan for the research of residues or substances in living animals or their products as presented by Austria.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1141**
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8804/97-FR Rev.1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 96/23/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 96/23/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/02/1998

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the surveillance plan for the research of residues or substances in living animals or their products as presented by France.

- a) PMC number 1142
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 96/23/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 96/23/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/02/1998

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the surveillance plan for the research of residues or substances in living animals or their products as presented by Finland.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1143
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8811/97-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 96/23/EC, Art. 8 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 96/23/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/02/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the surveillance plan for the research of residues or substances in living animals or their products as presented by Sweden.

- a) PMC number 1156
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8877/97-FR
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee on seeds and agricultural, horticultural and forestry plants
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 66/401/EEC, Council Directive 66/402/EEC, Council Directive 96/72/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 66/401/EEC, Council Directive 66/402/EEC, Council Directive 96/72/E
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/02/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Commission Decision 94/650/EC providing the organisation concerning the sale of seeds to the final consumer.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1157
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the adaption to scientific and technical progress of EC-legislation on waste
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directives 75/442/EEC, 91/689/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Directive 75/442/EC, Art. 18
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/02/1998

### **Short description**

Draft Decision established by Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EC.

- a) PMC number 1166
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8879/97-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI/B.II.1
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Commission Directive 98/2/EC, Art. 2 (1), Commission Directive 92/76/EEC, Directive 96/76/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Commission Directive 98/2/EC, Commission Directive 92/76/EEC, Directive 96/76/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -17/02/1998

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Directive amending Directive 92/76/EEC on protected zones in the Community being exposed to certain phytosanitary dangers.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1168
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1706/98-FR Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission VI/B.II.2
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee EAGGF committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 820/97, Art. 10, Art. 21
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 820/97
- h) date of transmission to the EP -17/02/1998

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation 820/97 concerning the application of minimum administrative sanctions in the framework of the system for identification and registration of bovine animals.

- a) PMC number 1169
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/536/96 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring swede rape pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1170**
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/576/96 Rev. 3
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/02/1998

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified maize pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

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- a) PMC number 1171
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/594/96 Rev. 3
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/02/1998

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified maize pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1172
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/404/97 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Commission Directive 97/35/EC, Art. 13
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/02/1998

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified maize pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

- a) PMC number 1187
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/707/97-FR
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 5 of Regulation 3254/91
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 3254/91/EEC, Art. 3 (1), Commission Regulation 35/97
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 5 of Regulation 3254/91
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/02/1998

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Council Decision 97/602/EC concerning the list established by Art. 3 (1) al. 2 of Regulation 3254/91 and Art. 1 (1) a) of Commission Regulation 35/97/EC.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1205
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1607/98
- c) **DG of Commission** VI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Directive 97/57/EC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Directive 97/57/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision on the placing on the market of special phytopharmaceutical products.

- a) PMC number 1208
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1785/98-FR Rev. 9
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing veterinary committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/662/EEC, Directive 92/118/EEC, Art. 9 (4), Council Directive 90/425/EEC, Directive 92/118/EEC, Art. 10 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/662/EEC, Directive 92/118/EEC, Council Directive 90/425/EEC, Directive 92/118/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the epidemiological surveillance of encephalopathies spongiformes.

# Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1228
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/39/98 Rev. 24
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 7 of Council Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Council Regulation 880/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -16/03/1998

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to soil improvers.

- a) PMC number 1264
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee for foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/107/EEC, EP and Council Directive 94/34/EC, Art. 3 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -02/04/1998

# **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Directive amending Commission Directive 96/77/EC laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners.

### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number 1265**
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/6825/97-FR Rev. 4
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Commission Regulation 3600/92/EEC, Regulation 1199/97/EC, Art. 6 (5)
- g) legal basis for committee Commission Regulation 3600/92/EEC, Regulation 1199/97/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 02/04/1998

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the withdrawal of authorisations granted to certain phytopharmaceutical products.

- a) PMC number 1267
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in dangerous substances and preparations
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 67/548/EEC, Commission Directive 97/69/EC, Art. 28
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 67/548/EEC, Commission Directive 97/69/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 14/04/1998

### **Short description**

Draft for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1268
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7619/97-FR Rev. 3
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Commission Directive 98/2/EC, Art 12 (6)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Commission Directive 98/2/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 15/04/1998

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Directive on the fixing of minimum conditions for the realisation of phytosanitary controls in the Community.

- a) PMC number 1272
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 94/92/EC, Art. 11 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -15/04/1998

# **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the conditions for a derogation for plastic crates and pallets in relation to the heavy metal concentration levels established in Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1282
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Directives 75/442/EEC, 91/156/EEC, 91/689/EEC, Art. 3
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -20/04/1998

#### Short description

Draft for a Commission Decision relating to the above-mentioned directives on waste and hazardous waste.

- a) PMC number 1291
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the adaption to technical progress of the directives for the elimination of technical barriers to trade in cosmetic products
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 8 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 76/768/EEC, Art. 9
- h) date of transmission to the EP 07/05/1998

# Short description

Draft proposal of a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress some annexes to Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1299
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5319/98
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on foodstuffs
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/107/EEC, EP and Council Directive 94/34/EC, Art. 3 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/05/1998

### Short description

Draft of a Commission Directive amending Commission Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific purity criteria concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

- a) PMC number 1308
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/198/98
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 12/05/1998

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Decision establishing ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to dishwashers.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1322
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1674/98-FR Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Commission Directive 97/73/EC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -27/05/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the amendment of annex I of Council Directive 91/414/EEC on the placing on the market of certain phytopharmaceutical products.

- a) PMC number 1367
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/7847/97-FR Rev. 6
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Commission Directive 97/73/EC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/06/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the amendment of annex I of Council Directive 91/414/EEC on the placing on the market of certain phytopharmaceutical products.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1388
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing forestry committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2158/92/EEC, Art. 4 (4), Council Regulation 308/97/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 2158/92/EEC, Council Regulation 308/97/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/07/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Commission Regulation 1170/93/EEC concerning certain modalities on the protection of forests in the Community against fire.

- a) PMC number 1392
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/277/98 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/07/1998

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Decision establishing ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to Personal Computers.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1393
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/272/98
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 880/92/EEC, Art. 5 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/07/1998

#### **Short description**

Draft Commission Decision establishing ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to bed mattresses.

- a) PMC number 1411
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC, Commission Regulation 1237/97/EC, Art. 11 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 67/548/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/08/1998

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Annex II to Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC concerning the export and import of certain dangerous chemicals.

# Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1412
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Directive 98/2/EC, Art. 15 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 77/93/EEC, Directive 98/2/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 19/08/1998

# **Short description**

Draft of Commission Decision amending Decision 96/301/EC and authorising Member States temporarily to take emergency measures against the dissemination of Pseudomonas solanacearum (Smith) as regards Egypt.

- a) PMC number 1420
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/2046/98-FR Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Plant Health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Commission Directive 98/47/EC, Art. 6 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 91/414/EEC, Commission Directive 98/47/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/08/1998

# **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Annex I of Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing on the market of phytopharmaceutical products.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 973
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3561/96
- c) DG of Commission XI/A/1
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee for adaptation to technical progress
- f) legal basis for measure Art 9 Directive 76/116/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 10 Directive 76/116/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -7/11/97

#### **Short description**

Adaptation to technical progress of directive on approximation of national laws on fertilisers.

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#### **EP - AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1180
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1730/97-FR-Rév.2
- c) DG of Commission DG VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 64/433/EEC of 26 June 1964, as last amended by 95/23/EC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 64/433/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP-

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission decision to authorise Italy to apply the requirements of Section A of Article 4 of Directive 64/433/EEC to certain slaughterhouses which handle not more than 2,000 livestock units per year.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 1186
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/8886/97-FR rev.1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on plant health
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 77/93/EEC of 21 December 1976
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 77/93/EEC of 21 December 1976
- h) date of transmission to the EP-

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission decision authorising the Member States exceptionally to provide for derogations from certain provisions of Council Directive 77/93/EEC in respect of plants of Vitis L., other than fruits, originating in Hungary or Romania.

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- a) PMC number 1313
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/4857/98-Rév.2
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/425/EEC, 26. June 1990, as last amended by Directive 92/118/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/425/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP-

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission decision concerning protection measures relating to classical swine fever in Spain and repealing decision 97/285/EC.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1365
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/2968/98
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Management Committee on beef 36
- f) legal basis for measure Council regulation 2759/75 EEC, 29. October 1975, as last amended by regulation 3290/94
- g) legal basis for committee Council regulation 2759/75 EEC, 29. October 1975, as last amended by regulation 3290/94
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation fixing the weighting coefficients to be used in calculating the Community market price for pig carcasses and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1205/97.

Comité de gestion de la viande de porc.

- a) PMC number 1372
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/6020/98-FR Rév. 1
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/425/EEC, 26. June 1990, as last amended by Directive 92/118/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/425/EEC, 26. June 1990, as last amended by Directive 92/118/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision amending Decision 98/339/EC concerning certain protective measures relating to classical swine fever in Spain.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1373
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/5982/98-FR
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Agriculture
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure 90/425/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee 90/425/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP-

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision repealing Decision 97/216/EC concerning certain protection measures relating to classical swine fever in the Netherlands.

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# **EP - BUDGET COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number -
- b) Identification-number by Commission OJ L303, 15.12.1995, p. 33
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Budget
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on Fees, Implementation Rules and the Procedure of the Boards of Appeal of the Office of Harmonisation in the Internal Market
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 40/94/EC, amended by Regulation 3288/94/EC, Art. 139
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 40/94/EC, Art. 141
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

### **Short description**

Commission Regulation 2869/95/EC on fees payable to the Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market.

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# **EP - CULTURE COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0202
- b) Identification-number by Commission COM(1998) 329 final
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Culture, youth, education and media
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Decision 819/95/EC
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and the Council for the implementation of the second phase of Community action program in the field of general education SOCRATES.

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### **EP-LEGAL COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0039
- b) Identification-number by Commission XV/E/8308/95
- c) DG of Commission XV
- d) EP-Committee Legal
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established by art. 15 of Council Directive 92/51/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 92/51/EEC, Art. 15
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 92/51/EEC, Art. 15
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/07/1995

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Directive amending Annexes C and D of Council Directive 92/51/EEC on a second general system for the recognition of professional education and training.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0068
- b) Identification-number by Commission 1607/VI/95
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Legal
- e) Comitology-Committee -Standing Committee on Plant Variety Rights
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2100/94/EC, Art. 14 (3)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 2100/94/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -18/07/1995

#### **Short description**

Draft Commission Regulation establishing implementing rules on the agricultural exemption provided for in Art. 14 (3) of Regulation 2100/94 on Community plant variety rights.

- a) PMC number 0174
- b) Identification-number by Commission XV/1144/95
- c) DG of Commission XV
- d) EP-Committee Legal
- e) Comitology-Committee Consulting Banking Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/647/EEC, Art. 8
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 89/647/EEC, Art. 9 (2)
- h) date of transmission to the EP 17/11/1995

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Directive on technical amendments to Council Directive 89/647/EEC on a solvency ratio for credit institutions concerning the definition of multilateral development banks.

### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0388
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/1373/96
- c) DG of Commission XXI
- d) EP-Committee Legal
- e) Comitology-Committee Customs Code Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2913/92/EEC, Art. 12 (5) c, Art. 249 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 2913/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/11/1996

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the validity of certain binding tariff information (Belgium).

- a) PMC number 0389
- b) Identification-number by Commission XXI/1374/96
- c) DG of Commission XXI
- d) EP-Committee Legal
- e) Comitology-Committee Customs Code Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2913/92/EEC, Art. 12 (5) c, Art. 249 (4)
- g) legal basis for committee Council Regulation 2913/92/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/10/1996

# Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the validity of certain binding tariff information (Germany).

# **EP-REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0076
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2082/93/EEC, Art. 5 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP 20/07/1995

### **Short description**

Single programming document 1995 - 1999 for objective 2 regions in Sweden.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0087
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee Management Committee on Agriculture Structures and Rural Development
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2082/93/EEC, Art. 5 (2), Council Regulation 2081/93/EEC, Art. 11a
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP 28/08/1995

#### Short description

Single programming document for Community structural fund assistance under objective 5b, 1994 - 1999, for Scottish regions<sup>37</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Commission Decision 862/95/EC, 21 March 1995.

- a) PMC number -
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2052/88/EEC, Art. 8 (4), Council Regulation 2081/93/EEC
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

# **Short description**

Regional development plan 1994 - 1999, objective 1, Portugal.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number -
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2082/93/EEC, Art. 5 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

#### **Short description**

Single programming document, 1995 - 1999, for objective 2 regions in Finland.

- a) PMC number -
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee -
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2082/93/EEC, Art. 5 (2)
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP -

### Short description

Single programming document, 1994 - 1999, for objective 1 regions in the UK (Merseyside 2000).

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number -
- b) Identification-number by Commission C(94)1936
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Regional
- e) Comitology-Committee Advisory Committee on the Development and Conversion of Regions
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 4253/88/EEC, Regulation 2052/88/EEC, Regulation 2082/93/EEC, Art. 10 (1)
- g) legal basis for committee -
- h) date of transmission to the EP 29/07/1994

#### Short description

Commission Decision on the adoption of the single programming document for Community structural assistance in the region of Merseyside concerned by objective 1.

### **EP - FISHERIES COMMITTEE**

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#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0069
- b) Identification-number by Commission XIV/69/95 EN
- c) DG of Commission DG XIV
- d) EP-Committee Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Monitoring committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation No 4253/88, as last amended by Council Regulation No 2082/93
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 26 of Council Regulation No 4253/88
- h) date of transmission to the EP -06/07/1995

# Short description

Structural Funds - Community Initiative "PESCA" for the United Kingdom: Integrated operational programme 1994 - 1999.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0207
- b) Identification-number by Commission XVI/140/96/rev2 (SV)
- c) DG of Commission XIV
- d) **EP-Committee** Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Art. 26 of Council Regulation No 4253/88
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation No 4253/88, as last amended by Council Regulation No 2082/93
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 26 of Council Regulation No 4253/88
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/03/1996

#### **Short description**

Structural Funds – Community Initiative "PESCA" for Sweden: Integrated operational programme 1994 – 1999.

- a) PMC number 0366
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/5514/96 FR
- c) DG of Commission DG VI
- d) EP-Committee Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/493, as last amended by Council Directive 95/71
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 11 Council Directive 91/493
- h) date of transmission to the EP 08/10/1996

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision laying down special conditions governing imports of fishery and aquaculture products originating from the Ivory Coast.

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0736
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1941/97 (FR)
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/493
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 68/361
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/06/1997

#### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Decision modifying Commission Decision 94/324 laying down special conditions governing imports of fishery and aquaculture products originating in Indonesia.

- a) PMC number 1285
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/1825/98 rév. 2 (FR)
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/675, as last modified by Council Directive 96/43
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 of Council Directive 90/675, as last modified by Council Directive 96/43
- h) date of transmission to the EP 24/04/1998

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision introducing certain measures for protection of certain fishery products originating from China and modifying Commission Decision 97/368.

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1404
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/6003/98 rév. 2
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) **EP-Committee** Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Veterinary Committee
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 91/493
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 11 of Council Directive 91/493
- h) date of transmission to the EP -07/07/1998

#### **Short description**

Commission Decision laying down special conditions governing imports of fishery and aquaculture products originating in Tanzania.

- a) **PMC number** 0133
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission —
- d) EP-Committee Fisheries
- e) Comitology-committee –
- f) legal basis for measure -
- g) legal basis for committee –
- h) date of transmission to the EP 06/10/1994

# **Short description**

United Kingdom Community Programme for Structural Interventions in the fisheries and aquaculture sector and the processing and marketing of its products (objective 5a).

## Annex II

# LONG DESCRIPTIONS

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#### The 4 "critical cases":

#### "Critical" case 1:

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0203
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/544/95
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 13:
- "1. On receipt of the dossier referred to in Article 12 (3), the Commission shall immediately forward it to the competent authorities of all Member States together with any other information it has collected pursuant to this Directive and advise the competent authority responsible for forwarding the document of the distribution date.
- 2. The competent authority, in the absence of any indication to the contrary from another Member State within 60 days following the distribution date referred to in paragraph 1, shall give its consent in writing to the notification so that the product can be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof.
- 3. In cases where the competent authority of another Member State raises an objection for which the reasons must be stated and should it not be possible for the competent authorities concerned to reach an agreement within the period specified in paragraph 2, the Commission shall take a decision in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21.
- 4. Where the Commission has taken a favourable decision, the competent authority that received the original notification shall give consent in writing to the notification so that the product may be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof.
- 5. Once a product has received a written consent, it may be used without further notification throughout the Community in so far as the specific conditions of use and the environments and/or geographical areas stipulated in these conditions are strictly adhered to.
- 6. Member States shall take all necessary measures to ensure that users comply with the conditions of use specified in the written consent".
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 90/220/EEC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP -29/02/1996

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified soya beans with increased tolerance to the herbicide glyphosate pursuant to Directive 90/220/EEC.

#### Long-description

This proposal for a Commission Decision is in accordance with Council Directive 90/220/EEC<sup>36</sup> of 23 April 1990 which lays down a Community procedure enabling the competent authority of a Member State to give consent to the placing on the market of products consisting of genetically modified organisms. In this specific case the United Kingdom has already passed on the dossier to the Commission with a favourable opinion.

The Commission is<sup>39</sup> required to take a decision supported by the comitology-committee under regulatory procedure, variant a<sup>40</sup>. The Commission has thereafter come to the conclusion that consent shall be given by the authorities of the UK to place this product on the market. This positive opinion has been laid down in Article 1 of the draft for the Directive, which also contains a detailed and technical description of the contents of the product. Article 3 stipulates that the present consent covers handling in the environment during import and before and during storage and processing to non-viable products. Additional safeguards are to apply if new information on the risks of the product become available<sup>41</sup>.

The committee accepted the Commission proposal with 74 votes in favour, 11 votes against and 2 abstentions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> OJ No L 117, 8.5.1990, p.15.

according to Article 13(3) of Directive 90/220/EEC.

according to Article 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC.

according to paragraph 6 of Article 11 and paragraph 1 of Article 16 of Directive 90/220/EEC.

#### "Critical" case 2

#### Classification of document

- a) **PMC number** 0728
- b) Identification-number by Commission VI/2869/97 Rev. 3
- c) DG of Commission VI.D.2
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Management Committee for beef and veal (2a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 820/97, Art. 18:
- "The Commission shall adopt detailed rules for the application of this Title and, where necessary, transitional measures in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 27 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68. The detailed rules may cover, in particular, the information which may be contained on labels pursuant to Article 16. They may also extend the list of indications or labels referred to in the second subparagraph of Article 12 (1)".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 27 Council Regulation 805/68
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/06/1997

#### Short description

Draft of a Commission Regulation laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97/EC establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products.

#### Long-description

The purpose of the draft for a Commission Regulation is to lay down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation 820/97 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products<sup>42</sup>, as stipulated in article 18. The draft Commission Regulation lays down the following provisions:

- Mutual recognition: detailed rules regarding sales between Member States so that the labelling system will not lead to distortions of trade on the beef market and that an accelerated/simplified approval procedure is provided for (e.g. time limits for approval etc.).
- Minimum requirements for the specification: establishment of an identification and registration system by operators and organisations in order to ensure the link between the identification of the meat and the animal(s) concerned (e.g. arrival and departure of livestock etc.).

<sup>42</sup> OJ L 117, 07.05.1997, p.1.

- Checks: the relevant independent body and the competent authority shall have access to the premises and all records kept by operators and organisations and shall carry out regular spot checks. Member States shall also be enabled to carry out checks.
- Sanctions: Member States shall determine and implement the regime of sanctions. Member States shall require the removal of beef that has been labelled and marketed without compliance with the specification or where there is no approved specification until the label is removed or the beef is re-labelled in conformity with the proposal for this Regulation.

It can be concluded that this draft for a Commission Regulation does not merely propose small technical amendments but detailed rules regarding such a sensitive subject as the labelling of beef and beef products<sup>43</sup>. Member States are to be enabled to require that beef be removed from the market if it has been labelled and marketed without compliance with the specification, or where there is no specification.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> This is in accordance with the legal basis for the measure.

#### "Critical" case 3

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0802
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5454/95 rev. 5
- c) DG of Commission III/E/5
- d) **EP-Committee** Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee for the adaptation to technical progress (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 3 Council Directive 70/311/EEC:
- "The amendments necessary for adjusting the requirements of the annex so as take account of technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 13 of the Council Directive 70/156".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 13 Council Directive 70/156/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -23/07/1997

### Short description

Draft Commission Directive of adapting to technical progress Council Directive 70/311/EEC relating to equipment of motor vehicles and their trailers.

## Long-description

This draft proposal for a Commission directive aims at adapting Council Directive 70/311/EEC<sup>44</sup> to technical progress, by proposing:

a) minor amendments: The definition of the word 'vehicle' is restricted to the definition of Art. 2 of Directive 70/156/EEC.

Change of date: it is stipulated that, with effect from 1.10.2000, Member States shall no longer grant EC type-approval and may refuse national type-approval for a type of vehicle on grounds relating to the steering equipment<sup>45</sup>.

- b) more far-reaching amendments, such as:
- stipulating that with effect from 1.10.1998 Member States may not on grounds relating to the doors refuse for any type of vehicle to grant EC type-approval or national type-approval, or prohibit the sale, registration, entry into service of vehicles if the vehicles comply with the requirements of Directive 70/387/EEC, as amended by this Directive. Previously this stipulation had been restricted to the steering equipment;

<sup>44</sup> As at last amended by Directive 92/62/EEC.

The date had previously been 1 October 1993.

- fixing a deadline, whereby the Member States are asked to bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive on or before 1.10.1998;
- Change of annexes by amending and adding titles.

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The proposal was accepted by the committee with 84 votes in favour of the proposal, one Member State not being present at the voting.

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#### "Critical" case 4

#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 1169
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/536/96 Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established under Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 90/220/EEC Art. 13:
- "1. On receipt of the dossier referred to in Article 12 (3), the Commission shall immediately forward it to the competent authorities of all Member States together with any other information it has collected pursuant to this Directive and advise the competent authority responsible for forwarding the document of the distribution date.
- 2. The competent authority, in the absence of any indication to the contrary from another Member State within 60 days following the distribution date referred to in paragraph 1, shall give its consent in writing to the notification so that the product can be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof.
- 3. In cases where the competent authority of another Member State raises an objection for which the reasons must be stated and should it not be possible for the competent authorities concerned to reach an agreement within the period specified in paragraph 2, the Commission shall take a decision in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21.
- 4. Where the Commission has taken a favourable decision, the competent authority that received the original notification shall give consent in writing to the notification so that the product may be placed on the market and shall inform the other Member States and the Commission thereof.
- 5. Once a product has received a written consent, it may be used without further notification throughout the Community in so far as the specific conditions of use and the environments and/or geographical areas stipulated in these conditions are strictly adhered to.
- 6. Member States shall take all necessary measures to ensure that users comply with the conditions of use specified in the written consent".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 21 of Directive 90/220/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -24/02/1998

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring Swede rape pursuant to Council Directive 90/220/EEC.

#### Long-description

In this proposal for a Commission Directive, the Commission gives its consent concerning the placing on the market of genetically modified spring Swede rape<sup>46</sup>. In this context, the Commission sought the opinion of the relevant Scientific Committees established by Commission Decision 97/579/EC<sup>47</sup>. The opinion, which was delivered on 10 February 1998 by the Scientific Committee on plants, stated that there was no reason to believe that the import of the product<sup>48</sup> with the aim of processing would have any adverse effects on human health. In case new information on risks becomes available, articles 11(6) and 16(1) of Directive 90/220/EEC provide additional safeguards.

The Commission proposal was accepted by the committee with 63 votes in favour, 15 votes against and 9 abstentions.

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<sup>46</sup> according to Council Directive 90/220/EEC (OJ No L 117, 08.05.1990, p. 15).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> OJ No L 237, 28.8.1997, p. 8.

The product under discussion is, according to article 1 of the proposal for a Commission Decision: seeds of spring swede rape (Brassica napus L. ssp. oleifera) derived from traditional breeding crosses between non-genetically modified swede rape and a line resulting from transformation event Topas 19/2 which has been transformed using plasmid pOCA/Ac containing a synthetic pat gene coding phosphinothricin acetyltransferase under the regulation of 35S promoter and terminator sequences from Cauliflower Mosaic Virus and an npt II gene coding for neomycin phoshotransferase II under the regulation of the nopaline synthase promoter and an octopine synthase terminator sequence.

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#### Classification of document

- a) PMC number 0875
- b) Identification-number by Commission ONPCOM97-29
- c) DG of Commission XXI/B/4
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee ONP Committee (1)
- f) legal basis for measure -
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 9 Council Directive 90/387
- h) date of transmission to the EP 05/09/1997

### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Recommendation on interconnection pricing in a liberalised telecommunications market.

## Long-description

The project of a Commission Recommendation on interconnection pricing in a liberalised telecommunications market is based on a working paper presented to the ONP Committee by the Commission. This working paper indicates possible directions for a Commission Recommendation in the above-mentioned field. It underlines the particular importance of interconnection to the development of a competitive market in telecommunications, as interconnection to the incumbent's network is essential for most new entrants in order to access the existing base of telecommunications users in national markets. The EU regulatory framework for interconnection - Commission Directive 96/91/EC49 and EP and Council Directive 97/33/EC<sup>50</sup> - sets out principles for interconnection to be implemented at national level under the supervision of the national regulatory authorities for telecommunications (NRAs). The purpose of the Recommendation in discussion is two-fold: to publish bestpractice in interconnection pricing and to publish recommendations on accounting separations. The aim is to assist NRAs in carrying out their obligations under Community Law in a way that will stimulate the growth of a sustainable competitive market in telecommunications. The underlying working document only refers to the first part of the draft Commission Regulation and provides "best current practice" figures for interconnection charges based on an analysis of the situation in various countries around the world.

As the ONP committee in question is a consulting committee, no formal voting procedure took place. However, it is stated that the committee largely supported the principles proposed in the Commission recommendation.

OJ L 74, 22.03.1996, p. 13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> OJ L 199, 26.07.1997, p. 32.

- a) PMC number 0980
- b) Identification-number by Commission no PA-03-97/11-1630
- c) DG of Commission DG III
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee TAC Telematics in Administrations Committee (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 (3.a) Council Decision 95/468/EC:
- "The following procedure shall apply in respect of:
- approval of the work programme drawn up by the Commission at half-yearly intervals,
- arrangements for Community contribution and breakdown of budgetary expenditure,
- approval of the content of tenders and evaluation of projects and measures the total value of which is in excess of ECU 200 000,
- adoption of common rules and procedures for bringing about technical and administrative interoperability".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 4 Council Decision 95/468/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -12/11/1997

#### **Short description**

Set of proposals for award of action submitted to TAC committee to give an opinion.

#### Long-description

The programme, to which the proposed measures refer, is the *IDA programme* (telematic interchange of data between administrations in the Community) as established by Council Decision 95/468/EC<sup>51</sup>. The Commission, together with the assistance of the TAC, who is responsible for the implementation of the programme, has submitted a number of measures, i.e. a set of proposals for award of action to the TAC by written procedure. These measures are not of a legislative nature. The submitted documents contain a list of measures, specifying the service concerned (DG III, EUROSTAT etc.), the name of the project (TESTA, INDIS etc.), the title of action (e.g. contract amendment, IDA awareness and promotion) and the estimated budget. Detailed descriptions of the proposals for award of action (encompassing information such as the type of project; the tittle of action and the estimated budget) are attached in the annex.

The proposal was agreed upon unanimously in the committee.

OJ L 269, 11.11.1995, p. 23.

- a) PMC number 1015
- b) Identification-number by Commission -CONSTRUCT 97/252
- c) DG of Commission III/0/002
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Construction (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure -Art. 14 of Directive 89/106:
- "In accordance with Annex III, the procedures described shall lead ... to the production of a declaration of conformity for a product by the manufacturer, or his agent established in the Community"
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 19 Directive 89/106
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/06/98

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision on the procedure for attesting the conformity of construction products as regards prefabricated stair kits.

## Long-description

The purpose of the draft Commission Decision in question is to specify the attestation of conformity for prefabricated stair kits as required by Council Directive 89/106 on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to construction products<sup>52</sup>. The draft proposal lays down the guidelines for a system of attestation for prefabricated stair kits, whereby a difference is made between stair kits used in dwellings and other buildings and stair kits for uses subject to reaction to fire regulations. It is stipulated that the EOTA has to specify the system of attestation of conformity in the relevant guideline for European technical approvals. In the annex proposals for systems of attestation of conformity of prefabricated stair kits are made. These are of a technical nature.

The proposal was accepted by the committee with 64 votes in favour, 10 votes against it and 13 abstentions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> OJ L 40, 11.02.1989, p. 12.

- a) PMC number 1197
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5345/97
- c) DG of Commission III/0/02
- d) EP-Committee Economy
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on adaptation to technical progress (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- "The amendments necessary for adapting the requirements of the Annexes to technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 13 of Directive 74/150/EEC".
- g) legal basis for committee Council Directive 74/150/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP 16/03/1998

## **Short description**

Draft proposal for a Commission Directive adapting to technical progress Council Directive 75/322/EEC relating to the suppression of radio interference caused by engines fitted to tractors.

## Long-description

The requirements of Council Directive 75/322 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the suppression of radio interference caused by spark ignition engines fitted to wheeled agricultural or forestry tractors<sup>53</sup> have to be adapted to technical progress in order to be harmonised with the requirements of Commission Directive 95/54 relating to motor vehicles. Therefore, the draft Commission Directive proposes to apply the requirements of Directive 95/54 by adapting to tractors the method of measurement and the vehicle configuration during the tests. The amendments concentrate on the replacement of Directive numbers and minor changes of a very technical nature.

The committee has not come to voting yet.

OJ L 147, 09.06.1975, p. 28, amended by Directive 97/54, OJ L 266, 08.11.1995, p. 1.

- a) PMC number 0005
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5886/94
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) **EP-Committee** Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 4 and Annex 1 of Council Directive 89/398:

"The specific provisions applicable to the groups of foods for particular nutritional uses appearing in Annex I shall be laid down by means of specific Directives.

Such specific Directives may cover in particular:

- (a) essential requirements as to the nature or composition of the products;
- (b) provisions regarding the quality of raw materials;
- (c) hygiene requirements;
- (d) permitted changes within the meaning of Article 3 (2);
- (e) a list of additives;
- (f) provisions regarding labelling, presentation and advertising;
- (g) sampling procedures and methods of analysis necessary for checking compliance with the requirements of the specific Directives".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 13 Council Directive 89/398
- h) date of transmission to the EP -20/2/95

### **Short description**

Draft Commission Directive for the composition of processed cereal-based foods and baby foods intended for particular nutritional use by infants and young children in good health.

#### Long description

This draft for a Commission Directive is based on the Council Directive 89/398/EEC on the "approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional uses." Art. 4 of that framework directive provides for the adoption of specific Commission Directives applicable to certain groups of products. This draft specifically focuses on processed cereal-based foods and baby foods intended for particular nutritional use by infants and young children in good health. According to the Commission, the nature of the products and the population for which they were intended called for careful assessment of the nutritional and other scientific evidence. For practical purposes this meant that the Scientific Committee for Food (SCF) was asked to give its opinion on the matter. The opinion of the SCF of 30 March 1990<sup>55</sup> formed the basis for the nutritional and technical specifications of this

OJ No L186, 30.06.1989, S. 27.

Reports of the SCF, 24th series, EUR 13140.

draft for a Commission Directive. The Commission services also had the benefit of the advice of the Advisory Committee on Foodstuffs and consulted the Member States in the usual way.

The essential requirements for the products, which are listed in Annexes 1 and 2, are of a very technical nature: for example as regards cereal content, it is stipulated that the amount of cereal and/or starchy root shall not be less than 25% of the final mixture on a dry weight basis and for biscuits made with the addition of a high protein food, it is stated that the added protein shall not be less than 0.48g/100kJ (2g/100kcal). In addition, the draft points out that manufacturers may also add other nutrients in the absence of a mandatory requirement. As this Directive does not lay down provisions for the use of additives in the manufacture of the products concerned, these will be the subject of a Council Directive<sup>56</sup>.

The committee accepted the proposal with 75 votes in favour, 10 against it and 2 abstentions.

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In conformity with art. 4 of Council Directive 89/398/EEC.

- a) PMC number 0010
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/454/94
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up by Art. 7 of Regulation 880/92 (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 5 (1) of Council Regulation 880/92:
- "The conditions for awarding the label shall be defined by product groups. Product groups, the specific ecological criteria for each group and their respective periods of validity shall be established in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 7 following the consultation procedure provided for in Article 6".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 of Council Regulation 880/92
- h) date of transmission to the EP 22/2/95

## **Short description**

Draft of a Commission Decision establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the community ecolabel to laundry detergents.

### Long description

This draft of a Commission Decision is based on the Council Regulation on a "Community Ecolabel Award Scheme"57 and aims at establishing ecological criteria for the award of the Community ecolabel to laundry detergents. The Council Regulation stipulates that the environmental performance of a product shall be assessed by reference to the specific criteria and conditions for product groups which should be laid down at a later date, which in this case is fulfilled by a Commission Decision. The conditions laid down in the annex of this draft Commission Decision include ecological criteria on ingredients (several parameters, e.g. phosphates, total chemicals etc.), packaging, other ecological criteria, pass-/fail level for awarding an ecolabel, consumer information, dosage instructions and "fitness for use" criteria, which are of a technical nature. In the case of products containing dangerous substances or preparations, such as laundry detergents, the Council Regulation stipulates that an ecolabel may only be awarded to products if they meet the objectives of the Community ecolabel award scheme. Therefore the annex of the draft Decision establishes hurdles and scores, limiting to a minimum the content of dangerous substances and preparations in detergents that may be awarded the ecolabel. Three appendixes lay down the detergent ingredient database, definitions related to the ecological criteria and data and information to be required from the applicant by the competent body receiving the application for an eco-label.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> OJL 99, 11.04.1992, p.1.

As required in the Council Regulation, the Commission has consulted the principle interest groups within a consultation forum and has laid down the measures in accordance with the comitology committee set up under the Council Regulation.

The Commission proposal was accepted by the committee with 72 votes in favour and 15 votes against it.

- a) PMC number 0028
- b) Identification-number by Commission 7171/VI/94
- c) DG of Commission VI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Plant Health (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 18 (2) Council Directive 91/414:

"In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 19 and having regard to current scientific and technical knowledge, the necessary amendments to Annexes II, III, IV, V and VI shall be adopted".

- g) legal basis for committee Decision 76/894
- h) date of transmission to the EP 11/4/95

## Short description

Draft Commission Directive amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market.

#### Long description

Annexes II and III of Council Directive 91/414 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market<sup>58</sup> lay down the requirements for the dossier to be submitted by applicants for the inclusion of an active substance in Annex I and for the authorisation of a plant protection product. These requirements, i.e. the circumstances, conditions and technical protocols under which certain data have to be generated, shall be indicated as precisely as possible to the applicants. As it is now possible to introduce more precision with regard to the data requirements concerning fate and behaviour in the environment of active substances and of the plant protection products provided for in Annexes II and III, the draft Commission Directive proposes a series of amendments to these Annexes, encompassing proposals for tests for "route and rate of degradation"; for tests for "anaerobic degradation"; for soil dissipation studies and soil residue studies The measures proposed are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plant Health.

The proposal was agreed upon in the committee unanimously.

**S** OJ L 230, 19.08.1991, p.1.

- a) PMC number 0037
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Standing Committee on Food Stuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 3 (3) Directive Council 89/107:
- "The following shall be adopted under the procedure laid down in Article 11:
- (a) the criteria of purity for the additives in question;
- (b) where necessary, the methods of analysis needed to verify that the criteria of purity referred to in (a) are satisfied;
- (c) where necessary, the procedure for taking samples and the methods for the qualitative and quantitative analysis of food additives in and on foodstuffs;
- (d) other rules necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of Article 2".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 11 Directive Council 89/107
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/5/95

### Short description

Draft Commission Directive laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

## Long description

According to Council Directive 89/107/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning food additives authorised for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption<sup>59</sup>, it is necessary to establish purity criteria for all sweeteners mentioned in Directive 94/35/EC. It is also assumed necessary to revise purity criteria for certain additives mentioned in Council Directive 78/663/EEC<sup>60</sup>. Therefore the draft Commission Directive lays down purity criteria for sweeteners mentioned in Directive 94/35/EC and repeals purity criteria for additives mentioned in Directive 78/663/EC. In the Annex to the draft Directive, the sweeteners are defined, described and their purity criteria are set up.

When establishing these purity criteria, the specifications and analytical techniques for sweeteners as set out in the Codex Alimentarius and the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives have been taken into account. The Scientific Committee for Food was also consulted on the provisions likely to affect public health. Food additives other than those included in the evaluation of the Scientific Committee for Food or those mentioned in the draft Commission Directive shall be submitted for evaluation to the Scientific Committee for Food. The measures are in line with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> OJ L 40, 11.02.1989, p.27.

<sup>60</sup> OJ L 223, 14.08.1978, p.7.

- a) PMC number 0038
- b) **EP-Committee** Environment
- c) Comitology-committee Committee established by Art. 6 of Directive 91/692 (2a)
- d) legal basis for measure Art. 13 (1) Council Directive 91/692:

"Every year, and for the first time by 31 December 1993, the Member States shall send to the Commission a report on the implementation of this Directive in the current year. The report shall be drawn up on the basis of a questionnaire or outline drafted by the Commission in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 6 of Directive 91/692/EEC. The questionnaire or outline shall be sent to the Member States six months before the start of the period covered by the report. The report shall be made to the Commission before the end of the year in question".

- f) legal basis for committee Art. 6 of Directive 91/692
- g) date of transmission to the EP 12/5/95

#### **Short description**

Draft working document for a Commission decision amending Commission Decision 92/446/EEC of 27 of July 1992 which focuses on questionnaires relating to directives in the water sector.

## Long description

The Commission Decision 92/446/EC<sup>61</sup> is the basis of this draft working document<sup>62</sup> for a Commission Decision. In this (original) Decision, the Commission has established the outlines of the questionnaires on the basis of which the Member States are required to draw up reports on the implementation of Community Directives in the water sector. As the Commission has convened, after consultation with the committee, that those questionnaires should enclose explanatory notes and agreed fine-tuned tables in order to clarify the reporting obligations imposed on the Member States, the Commission Decision 92/446/EEC should therefore be repealed. The new reporting requirements are laid down in the questionnaires listed in the annex of the draft working document of the Commission Decision, where the Member States are asked to answer questions on, for example, emission standards for direct discharges into surface water<sup>63</sup> and emission standards for discharges into sewers.

OJ No L247, 27.8.1992, p. 10.

Due to the fact that this document is a draft working document for a Commission Decision, no identification number of the Commission is given.

for the industrial sector one has to lay down for example the quantity discharged in relation to production capacity/-quantity used (g/t).

- a) PMC number 0070
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/3806/94
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-committee Committee set up under Art. 10 of Council Regulation 3677/90 (2b)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 2 (1) (b) Council Directive 92/109/EEC:
- "Each Member State shall take all the measures necessary to ensure that the placing on the market of scheduled substances is subject to the following requirements:
- 1. all transactions leading to the placing on the market of scheduled substances in categories 1 and 2 of Annex I shall be properly documented;
- (b) the documentation must furthermore contain a declaration from the customer which shows the specific uses of the substances. The detailed rules for implementing this provision will be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 10 (2). When these detailed rules are examined, due account shall be taken of the possibility for a regular customer obtaining from a supplier a scheduled substance specified in category 2 of Annex I to provide a single declaration covering all transactions involving that substance over a period of one year".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 10 of Council Regulation 3677/90
- h) date of transmission to the EP -6/7/95

#### **Short description**

Rules for consumer declarations of specific use relating to certain substances used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances.

### Long description

The basis for this Commission Regulation is to be found in Council Directive 92/109/EEC of 14 December 1992 on "the manufacture and the placing on the market of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances" which aims at establishing intra-Community monitoring of certain chemical substances frequently used for the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. The Directive prescribes that rules for implementing these provisions are to be drawn up in accordance with the committee procedure laid down in art. 10<sup>65</sup>.

OJ No L159, 1.7.1993, p. 134, as amended by Commission Directive 93/46/ECC (OJ No L 357, 20.12.1990, p. 1).

The Commission has also consulted the industry sector concerned.

The Commission Regulation, therefore, contains these detailed rules to implement the requirements of the Council Directive i.e. that the documentation for transactions in scheduled substances contains a declaration from the customer showing the specific use of such substances. Point 1 of Article 1 of the proposal lays down the rules to be followed in respect of single transactions. In order to ensure effective control, it is provided that each declaration be made in respect of one substance only, whereby it is stipulated that in the case of companies the declaration should be made on corporate stationery.

Point 2 of Article 1 provides that certain information shall (e.g. for which purpose the substance will be solely used for) be contained in a declaration, an example of which is given in the annex. Articles 2 and 3 deal with the case of multiple transactions between operators over a one-year period involving the same substance. In this context, it is also stipulated that the declarations should contain certain information (e.g. the name and the CN no. of the substance) which are specified in the annex to the regulation.

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- a) PMC number 0088
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5138/94 Rev. 2
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee on foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/398/EEC, Art. 4 and Annex I:
- "The specific provisions applicable to the groups of foods for particular nutritional uses appearing in Annex I shall be laid down by means of specific Directives.

Such specific Directives may cover in particular:

- (a) essential requirements as to the nature or composition of the products;
- (b) provisions regarding the quality of raw materials;
- (c) hygiene requirements;
- (d) permitted changes within the meaning of Article 3 (2);
- (e) a list of additives;
- (f) provisions regarding labelling, presentation and advertising;
- (g) sampling procedures and methods of analysis necessary for checking compliance with the requirements of the specific Directives".
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 18/09/1995

#### **Short description**

Draft for a Commission Directive on foods intended for use in energy restricted diets for weight reduction.

## Long-description

The measures envisaged by this draft Commission Directive are provided for by Council Directive 89/398/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to foodstuffs for particular nutritional uses and are regarded indispensable for the attainment of the objectives of the internal market. The aim of the draft Commission Directive is to establish compositional and labelling requirements for foods with particular nutritional uses intended for use in energy restricted diets for weight reduction. The draft Directive defines the products falling under the provisions of the Council Directive. It lays down the name under which the product shall be sold and the (rather technical) information that has to be contained in the labelling (e.g. the available energy value expressed in kJ and kcal, instructions for appropriate preparation etc.). Products complying with the Directive shall be permitted to trade in the

<sup>66</sup> OJ L 186, 30.06.1989, p.27.

Community, whereas products that do not comply with the Directive shall be prohibited from trading in the Community.

The Scientific Committee for Food has been consulted on the provisions liable to affect public health. The measures of the draft Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs.

The committee approved the Commission proposal with 72 votes in favour and 15 votes against it.

- a) PMC number 0165
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/535/95 final Rev.
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 21 of Directive 94/62/EC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 12 (3):
- "In order to harmonise the characteristics and presentation of the data produced and to make the data of the Member States compatible, Member States shall provide the Commission with their available data by means of formats which shall be adopted by the Commission one year from the date of entry into force of this Directive on the basis of Annex III, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21".
- g) legal basis for committee EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC, Art. 21
- h) date of transmission to the EP 30/10/1995

#### Short description

Proposal for a Commission Decision establishing the formats relating to the database system pursuant to EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste.

## Long-description

The purpose of the draft Commission Decision is to meet the obligation set out in Art. 12 (3) of EP and Council Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste<sup>67</sup>, which requests the Commission to establish formats relating to the database systems on packaging and packaging waste. The database aims at enabling Member States and the Commission to monitor the implementation of Directive 94/62 and serving for information purposes and as a basis for future decision-taking. It is intended to harmonise the characteristics and presentation of the data produced and to make the data of the Member States compatible. The Member States have to present to the Commission appropriate qualitative information about concentration levels of heavy metals present in packaging and on the presence of noxious and other hazardous substances and materials. They shall also present quantitative information about packaging waste considered as hazardous due to contamination by product contents. Therefore, the Commission sets out formats that have to be completed by the Member States and presented to the Commission, some of them being compulsory, others being optional. These formats refer to the quantity of packaging placed on the market within the Member

<sup>67</sup> OJ L 365, 31.12.1994, p.10.

State<sup>68</sup>, data on reusable packaging (voluntary), quantities of packaging waste arising and managed within the Member State, monitored quantities of packaging waste arising within (resp. outside) the Member State and recovered outside (resp. inside) the Member State. It is stipulated in the draft Decision that the formats and the data framework should be periodically reviewed and, if necessary, revised. The measures provided for in the draft Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established in Directive 94/62.

The proposal was accepted by the committee with 80 votes in favour and 2 votes against it, one Member State being absent.

Information that has to be provided by the Member States in this context encompasses, for example, the quantity of empty glass and plastic such as PVC and PET packaging material in tons.

- a) **PMC number** 0182
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/75/95-EN final Rev.
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee established pursuant to Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 17 Council Directive 91/156/EEC:
- "The amendments necessary for adapting the Annexes to this Directive to scientific and technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 18".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -27/11/1995

## **Short description**

Draft Commission Decision adapting Annexes IIA and IIB to Council Directive 75/442/EEC on waste, in the version as amended by Council Directive 91/156/EEC.

## Long-description

The purpose of this draft for a Commission Decision is the adaptation of Annexes IIA and IIB to Council Directive 75/445/EEC of July 1975 on waste<sup>69</sup>. According to Art. 17, the Commission is enabled to carry out the necessary amendments to adapt the Annexes of the Council Directive to scientific and technical progress. The changes had to be made as the disposal/recovery operations contained in the list of abbreviations used in a standard consignment note established by a Commission Decision 94/774/EC<sup>70</sup> did not correspond with those listed in Annexes IIA and IIB to Council Directive 75/442/EEC. Although the differences between the two legal instruments were small the modifications had to be made to avoid confusion. For practical purposes, this means that the proposal was made to modify the wording of sentences e.g. point D of the Council Directive reads: Tipping above or underground (e.g. landfill etc.), where the proposal for a Commission Decision reads: Deposit into or onto land (e.g. landfill, etc). Overall the proposed changes can be regarded as being minor and of a technical nature. The Commission was assisted in its task by the committee established pursuant to Art. 18 of Directive 75/442/EEC.

The Commission proposal was approved by the committee with 80 votes in favour, two Member States being absent.

OJ No. L 194, 25.7.1975, p. 39, in the version as amended by Council Directive 91/156/EEC of 18 March 1991 (OJ No L 78, 26.03.1991, p. 32.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> OJ No. L 310, 3.12.1994, p. 70.

- a) PMC number 0184
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5436/95-EN Rev. 1
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing Committee on Foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 89/109/EEC, Art. 3:

"The groups of materials and articles listed in Annex I and, where appropriate, combinations of these materials and articles shall be subject to specific directives.

The specific directives, including amendments to existing specific directives, shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 8.

The specific directives may include:

- (a) a list of the substances the use of which is authorised to the exclusion of all others (positive list):
- (b) purity standards for such substances;
- (c) special conditions of use for these substances and/or the materials and articles in which they are used:
- (d) specific limits on the migration of certain constituents or groups of constituents into or onto foodstuffs:
- (e) an overall limit on the migration of constituents into or out of foodstuffs;
- (f) if necessary, provisions aimed at protecting human health against any hazards which might arise through oral contact with materials and articles;
- (g) other rules to ensure compliance with Article 2;
- (h) the basic rules necessary for checking compliance with the provisions of points (d), (e), (f) and (g);
- (i) detailed rules concerning sample taking and the methods of analysis required to check compliance with the provisions of points (a) to (g).

Provisions liable to affect public health shall be adopted after consulting the Scientific Committee for Food. They must fulfil the criteria set out in Annex II".

- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP -01/12/1995

#### Short description

Draft Commission Directive amending Commission Directive 90/128/EEC relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs.

## Long-description

The purpose of the draft Commission Directive is to amend Commission Directive 90/128/EEC relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs<sup>71</sup>. Art. 3 (4) of this Commission Directive stipulates that as from 1 January 1997 only those monomers and other starting substances listed in Annex II, Section A of Directive 90/128 shall be used for the manufacture of plastic materials and articles, but it may be decided before 1 January 1996 to postpone this limit for certain substances which may continue to be used at national level. The Directive is amended in so far as the date is now 1 January 2002 and that substances listed in Section B of Annex II may be deleted before that date if the data requested for inclusion in Section A are not supplied in time to permit their evaluation by the Scientific Committee for Food. The draft Directive also proposes to add 3 substances (such as lactic acid) in Annex I and 10 new substances in Annex III. It is also foreseen in Annex II to delete a large number of substances<sup>72</sup>. The Member States must comply with the Directive by 1 January 1997. From then on Member States should permit trade in and use of materials and articles complying with this Directive and prohibit the manufacture and importation in the Community of materials and articles which do not comply with the Directive.

The amendments are regarded necessary as there are a number of substances which have not yet been evaluated by the Scientific Committee for Food and some substances for which the data supplied to the Scientific Committee permits the inclusion in the Community lists without any specific restriction. The amendments have been agreed on after consulting the Scientific Committee for Food and comply with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs.

The Commission proposal was agreed upon unanimously by the committee.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> OJ L 349, 13.12.1990, p.26.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> 73 substances.

- a) PMC number 0226
- b) Identification-number by Commission EXPORT/3/96
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee set up under Art. 29 of Council Directive 67/548/EEC
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC, Art. 11 (2) and (3):
- "2. Amendments initiated by the UNEP and the FAO to the list of chemicals subject to the international PIC procedure and to the PIC decisions of importing countries (Annex II) shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21 of Directive 67/548/EEC.
- 3. The amendments required for adapting Annex III to scientific and technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 21 of Directive 67/548/EEC".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 29 of Council Directive 67/548/EEC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -29/04/1996

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and III to Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC concerning the export and import of certain dangerous chemicals.

## Long-description

The draft Commission Regulation is based on Council Regulation 2455/92/EEC concerning the export and import of certain dangerous chemicals<sup>73</sup>. This Council Regulation sets up a system of notification and information for imports from and exports to third countries of certain dangerous substances. Some of these chemicals are subject to the international prior informed consent procedure (PIC) established by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO). As the Community participates in the international notification and the PIC, the Council Regulation 2455/92 states that in Annex II chemicals, subject to the international PIC procedure and the PIC decisions of importing countries, are to be listed. The proposal for a Commission Regulation responds to this by listing in Annex II the chemicals subject to the international PIC procedure and the PIC decisions of the participating countries. This extensive list is however not selected by the Commission, but is based on the PIC Circular V – July 1995 and on the Update of PIC Circular V – January 1996. The annex also contains a proposal for a new export notification form for a banned or severely restricted chemical.

The Commission proposal was approved by the committee with 62 votes in favour and 25 votes against it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> OJ L 251, 29.08.1992, p.13.

- a) PMC number 0754
- b) Identification-number by Commission III/5268/97 Rev.2
- c) DG of Commission III
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing committee for foodstuffs (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Directive 79/112/EEC Art. 4 (2):
- "Community provisions applicable to specified foodstuffs and not to foodstuffs in general may provide that other particulars in addition to those listed in Article 3 must appear on the labelling".
- g) legal basis for committee Council Decision 69/414/EEC, Art. 1
- h) date of transmission to the EP 23/06/1997

#### Short description

Draft of a Commission Regulation concerning the compulsory indication on the labelling of certain foodstuffs produced from genetically modified organisms of particulars other than those provided for in Directive 79/112/EEC.

## Long-description

This draft for a Commission regulation lays down specific requirements which should apply to the labelling of foodstuffs produced from genetically modified organisms<sup>74</sup>.

It stipulates, for example, that where scientific assessment (based on an appropriate analysis of existing data) proves the food or food ingredients to be different in comparison with a conventional food or food ingredients, the labelling must indicate the characteristics or properties modified, together with the method by which that characteristic or property was obtained. In this case it is expressly stated that the presence of a genetically modified organism has to be marked<sup>75</sup>. The measures provided for in this regulation were worked out in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs.

The Commission proposal was agreed upon unanimously by the committee.

According to Council Directive 79/112/EEC of 18 December 1978 (OJ, No L 33, 8.2.1979, p.1) as last amended by Directive 97/4/EC (OJ No L 43, 14.3.1997, p. 21.).

The non-exhaustive list of these organisms is laid down in Annex I A, Part 1 of Directive 90/220/EEC.

- a) PMC number 0799
- b) Identification-number by Commission -
- c) DG of Commission -
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Standing forestry committee (3a)
- f) legal basis for measure Council Regulation 3528/86/EEC Art. 3 (2):
- "1. Each Member State shall, using a uniform scientific method, draw up, in particular on the basis of the inventory data referred to in Article 2, a periodic forest health report with reference to atmospheric pollution. It shall forward it to the Commission.
- 2. The detailed rules for implementing this Article shall be laid down according to the procedure provided for in Article 7".
- g) legal basis for committee Art. 7 Council Regulation 3528/86/EEC, Regulation 307/97/EC
- h) date of transmission to the EP -10/07/1997

### **Short description**

Proposal for a Regulation amending Commission Regulation 1091/94/EC laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation 3528/86 on the protection of forest against atmospheric pollution.

## Long-description

In accordance with Council Regulation 3528/86 on the protection of forest against atmospheric pollution 1091/94 laying down certain Regulation proposes amendments to Commission Regulation 1091/94 laying down certain detailed rules for the implementation of the above-mentioned Council Regulation. The intensive and continuous surveillance of the forest ecosystems carried out by permanent observation plots is extended to include sampling and analyses of the soil. Furthermore, Member States shall forward to the Commission in a standardised form the data collected from every surveillance plot together with a report on an annual basis. A yearly report on the evaluation and interpretation of the results has also to be transmitted to the Commission before 31 December of each year. Amendments to the Annexes mainly concern proposals for forms, a common methodology of the surveillance of the soil and modalities for the transmission of the data, and the evaluation/interpretation results.

The Commission proposal was agreed upon unanimously by the committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> OJ L 326, 21.11.1986, p. 2.

- a) PMC number 0985
- b) Identification-number by Commission XI/441/97
- c) DG of Commission XI
- d) EP-Committee Environment
- e) Comitology-Committee Committee on trade in wild fauna and flora (3b)
- f) legal basis for measure Art. 19 (3) Council Regulation 338/97:
- "In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 18, the Commission shall:
- 1. lay down uniform conditions and criteria for:
- (i) the issue, validity and use of the documents referred to in Articles 4, 5, 7 (4) and 10; it shall determine the design thereof;
- (ii) the use of phytosanitary certificates; and
- (iii) the establishment of procedures, where necessary, for marking specimens in order to facilitate identification and ensure enforcement of the provisions;
- 2. adopt the measures referred to in Article 4 (6) and (7), Article 5 (5) and (7) (b), Article 7 (1) (c), (2) (c) and (3), Article 8 (4), Article 9 (6), Article 11 (5), Article 15 (4) (a), (c) and (5) and Article 21 (3);
- 3. amend Annexes A to D except in the case of amendments to Annex A which do not result from decisions of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention;
- 4. adopt, where necessary, additional measures to implement resolutions of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, decisions or recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Convention and recommendations of the Convention Secretariat".
- g) legal basis for committee Regulation 338/97, Art. 18
- h) date of transmission to the EP -19/11/1997

## **Short description**

Proposal for a Commission Regulation amending Council Regulation 338/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein.

#### Long-description

The purpose of the proposal for a Commission Regulation is to incorporate amendments adopted at the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora. The legal basis therefore is Council Regulation 338/97 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein<sup>77</sup>. Annexes A, B, C and D to this Regulation have to be amended. These amendments are extensive, but in accordance with the legal basis of the measure.

The Commission proposal was accepted by the committee with 79 votes in favour and 8 votes against it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> OJ L 61, 03.03.1997, p. 1.