

Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	1997/0925(CNS) Procedure completed
EEA Agreement: amending Annex XI (telecommunications)	
Subject 3.30.03 Telecommunications, data transmission, telephone 6.40.01 Relations with EEA/EFTA countries	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	RELA External Economic Relations		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<u>Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN</u>	<u>2072</u>	29/01/1999

Key events			
22/06/1997	Legislative proposal published	SEC(1997)1213	Summary
06/11/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
02/12/1997	Vote in committee		
17/12/1997	Decision by Parliament	T4-0617/1997	Summary
29/01/1999	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
29/01/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		
10/02/2000	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1997/0925(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1; EC before Amsterdam E 000
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	RELA/4/09491

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		SEC(1997)1213	23/06/1997	EC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0617/1997 OJ C 014 19.01.1998, p. 0050-0059	17/12/1997	EP	Summary

Final act	
Decision 2000/210 OJ L 035 10.02.2000, p. 0037	Summary

EEA Agreement: amending Annex XI (telecommunications)

OBJECTIVE: the object of the draft decision of the EEA Joint Committee is to amend Annex XI to the EEA Agreement by adding recently adopted acquis in the field of telecommunications services. SUBSTANCE: in order to ensure the requisite legal security and homogeneity, the EEA Joint Committee must integrate all the relevant Community legislation into the EEA Agreement as soon as possible after its adoption. The EEA Joint Committee should therefore adopt European Parliament and Council Directive 95/62/EC on the application of open network provision (ONP) to voice telephony. Norway and Iceland are ready to accept this act without any substantive modification, but Liechtenstein has requested a time derogation to the effect that: - it has to comply with the Directive by 1 January 1998, - at the end of this period the EEA Joint Committee will review the situation with a view to possible adjustments required in order to take account of the arrangements for the operation of the fixed public telephone network in Liechtenstein. Liechtenstein nevertheless undertakes to make every effort to apply the Directive. ?

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Parliament approved without debate the draft decision of the EEA Joint Committee. ?

EEA Agreement: amending Annex XI (telecommunications)

PURPOSE : to amend Annex XI to the EEA Agreement by adding recently adopted acquis in the field of telecommunications services. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 7/1999 amending Annex XI (Telecommunications services) to the EEA Agreement. CONTENT : in order to ensure the requisite legal security and homogeneity, the EEA Joint Committee must integrate all the relevant Community legislation into the EEA Agreement as soon as possible after its adoption. The Council approved the Decision with the aim of integrating into the Agreement the acquis recently adopted in the field of telecommunications services (Directive 97/13/EC on a common framework for general authorisations and individual licences in the field of telecommunications services). It should be noted that Norway and Iceland have accept this act without any substantive modification. This Decision provides in particular for an adjustment whereby Liechtenstein is authorised to make the issue of individual licences subject to a number of special conditions associated with the small size of the networks and the need to replace the monopoly arrangement with Switzerland. ENTRY INTO FORCE : this Decision shall enter into force on 30.01.1999, providing that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee. ?