


Procedure file

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European monitoring centre for drugs and addiction EMCDDA: assistance to applicant countries (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 302/93)		
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	LIBE Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs		25/10/1999
		PSE SOUSA PINTO Sérgio	
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	AFET Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security, Defense	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	BUDG Budgets		14/10/1999
		PPE-DE BOURLANGES Jean-Louis	
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2288	28/09/2000

Key events			
09/09/1999	Legislative proposal published	COM(1999)0430	Summary
13/12/1999	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
23/05/2000	Vote in committee		Summary
23/05/2000	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0147/2000	
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16/06/2000	Decision by Parliament	T5-0286/2000	Summary
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Additional information	
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European monitoring centre for drugs and addiction EMCDDA: assistance to applicant countries (amend. Regulation (EEC) No 302/93)

PURPOSE : to complement Regulation 302/93/EEC establishing a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) in order to extend the activities of the EMCDDA to candidate countries, by means of the PHARE Multi-Beneficiary Drugs Programme. **CONTENT :** in the framework of the European Action Plan to Combat Drugs 2000-2004 (ref: procedure 1999/2095/COS) and the general strategy which this lays down in particular with regard to candidate countries, the Commission is proposing to complement the current Regulation 302/93/EEC establishing the EMCDDA and extending its activities to the applicant countries and to progressively organise the participation of these countries in the main tasks of the REITOX network (EMCDDA is responsible for establishing and coordinating, in collaboration with the Member States, a European Network on Drugs and Drug Addiction which is called REITOX). However, Regulation 302/93/EEC does not provide for the possibility for the Centre itself to implement structural and technical assistance projects. This is why the present proposal aims at enabling the Observatory, with the financial support of the existing Community programmes, to provide structural and technical assistance in the field of drugs information systems to those applicant countries willing to participate in the EMCDDA. In the framework of the PHARE Multi-Beneficiary Programme for the Fight Against Drugs, the PHARE project on Drug Information Systems (DIS), which began in 1993 aimed at providing assistance to the central and eastern European countries (CEECs) for the development and strengthening of information systems and networks for the collection, processing and distribution of data concerning drugs and drug addiction in the CEECs. This is done mainly by providing information, know-how, training and technical equipment to the partner countries. The idea is to directly entrust the EMCDDA with the implementation of PHARE funded projects in the field of the drugs information system. The objective contains an important institutional building component which aims at strengthening the role of the National Focal Points from the applicant countries of central and eastern Europe in order to reflect the multi-disciplinary mandate of the EMCDDA. Special attention will be given to the central and eastern European countries, including those which are not applicant countries but which are part of the PHARE Multi-Beneficiary Drugs Programme, that is, Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina and the FYROM.?

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The committee adopted the report (consultation procedure) by Sérgio SOUSA PINTO amending the proposal on the regulation establishing a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA). The committee endorsed the general objective of the Commission proposal (to allow structural and technical assistance projects for the applicant central and eastern European countries (CEECs) to be included among the Centre's objectives). However, it also felt that the regulation should be extended to cover technical assistance provided by the EMCDDA not only to those applicant countries but also to other countries which are party to agreements concluded with the EU providing for the exchange of drugs-related information. It accordingly sought to clarify the legal framework by ensuring that the regulation specifically referred to the applicant CEEC countries, Turkey (which has now been recognised as an applicant country and also represents an important link in international anti-drug cooperation), Cyprus and Malta, together with other countries eligible for the PHARE programme and certain third countries with which the EU has established cooperation instruments. The committee also drew attention to the criticisms contained in the March 2000 report assessing the Centre's activities, in particular concerning the workings of the European Network on Drugs and Drug Addiction (REITOX) and of the Centre's Management Board. It took the view that, at a time when the Monitoring Centre is being given new tasks and the regulation on which it is based is being amended, the conclusions contained in the assessment report should be taken into consideration so that the REITOX network and the management board function satisfactorily.?

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By adopting the report, under consultation procedure, drafted by Mr. Sérgio SOUSA PINTO (PES, Portugal), the European Parliament accepts the proposal for a Council regulation completing Regulation 302/93/EEC establishing a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA). However, it was adopted subject to amendments relating to the inclusion of the CEECs in terms of allowing structural and technical assistance projects to be included among the Centre's objectives. In addition, it is stated that the regulation should be extended to cover technical assistance provided by the EMCDDA not only to those applicant countries but also to other countries which are party to agreements concluded with the EU providing for the exchange of drugs-related information. It sought to clarify the legal framework by ensuring that the regulation specifically referred to the applicant CEEC applicant countries, Turkey, Cyprus and Malta, together with other countries eligible for the PHARE programme and certain third countries with which the European Union has established cooperation instruments and with a view to involving them in the activities of the EMCDDA and establishing structural links with the REITOX network. Furthermore, there is an additional paragraph which states that the Centre and the national focal points shall cooperate in such a way that the REITOX network becomes an interactive operational structure as soon as possible. In particular, they shall inform one another systematically regarding their respective activities and shall use and optimise the information and the contributions which they provide to one another on a mutual basis. The national focal points shall be closely involved in the activities of the Centre. With regard to the Management Board, it shall be responsible, in close liaison with the Director, for the Centre's strategic guidelines and for coordinating the Centre's activities with those of the Union (in particular within the cross-sector working party on drugs) and those of the Member States, and also for the running and the development of the REITOX network. The Management Board shall submit an annual report on its activities to the EU institutions. The Management Board shall also adopt the draft budget and forward it to the Commission, which on that basis shall establish the relevant estimates in the preliminary draft general budget. Finally, every three years the Commission shall forward to the European Parliament and to the Council a progress report on the Centre's activities.?

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PURPOSE : to complement Regulation 302/93/EEC establishing a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) in order to extend activities of the EMCDDA to candidate countries, by means of the PHARE Multi-Beneficiary Drugs Programme. **COMMUNITY MEASURE :** Council Regulation 2220/2000/EC amending Regulation 302/93/EEC on the establishment of a European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction. **CONTENT :** the Regulation aims to stretch the activities of the EMCDDA to the applicant countries and also progressively organise the participation of the applicant countries in the Observatory activities and the Reitox core tasks. However, Regulation 302/93/EEC does not provide for the possibility for the centre itself to implement structural and technical assistance projects. Therefore, the present Regulation shall enable the Observatory, with the financial help of the existing Community programmes, to provide structural and technical assistance in the field of drugs information systems to those applicant countries willing to participate in the EMCDDA. More specifically, the idea is to directly entrust the EMCDDA with the implementation of PHARE funded projects and, at the request of the Commission, transfer its know-how and assist in the creation and reinforcement of structural links with the Reitox network and the setting up and the consolidation of the national focal points. Furthermore, it is necessary for the Observatory to cover in its approach all PHARE countries which are part of the PHARE Multi-Beneficiary Drugs Programme, including therefore Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina and the Former Republic of Macedonia. **ENTRY INTO FORCE :** 07.10.2000.?