

Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	2003/0293(COD) Procedure completed
European Audiovisual Observatory: prolonging the Community participation Amending Decision 1999/784/EC	1999/0066(CNS)
Subject 3.30.01 Audiovisual industry and services	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	CULT Culture, Youth, Education, Media and Sport		27/01/2004
		ELDR SANDERS-TEN HOLTE Maria Johanna (Marieke)	
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		16/12/2003
		ELDR MULDER Jan	
European Commission	ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	2613	25/10/2004
	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Education, Youth, Sport and Culture		

Key events			
10/12/2003	Legislative proposal published	COM(2003)0763	Summary
15/12/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
06/04/2004	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
06/04/2004	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A5-0241/2004	
21/04/2004	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0317/2004	Summary
25/10/2004	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
17/11/2004	Final act signed		
17/11/2004	End of procedure in Parliament		

31/12/2004

Final act published in Official Journal

Technical information

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Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
	Amending Decision 1999/784/EC 1999/0066(CNS)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 157-p3
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CULT/5/20491

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(2003)0763	10/12/2003	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0241/2004	06/04/2004	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T5-0317/2004 OJ C 104 30.04.2004, p. 0420-0549 E	21/04/2004	EP	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0843/2004 OJ C 241 28.09.2004, p. 0015-0016	02/06/2004	ESC	
Document attached to the procedure	C(2005)1989	05/07/2005	EC	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	COM(2006)0835	10/01/2007	EC	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Decision 2004/2239 OJ L 390 31.12.2004, p. 0001-0002 Summary

European Audiovisual Observatory: prolonging the Community participation

PURPOSE : to amend Council Decision 1999/84/EC prolonging Community participation in the European Audiovisual Observatory for a period of two years. **PROPOSED ACT** : Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council. **CONTENT** : By Decision 1999/784/EC, the Community began participation in the European Audiovisual Observatory for a period ending on 31 December 2004. The European Audiovisual Observatory is an Enlarged Partial Agreement of the Council of Europe. At present, 35 States, among which all the present and future Member States, participate in the Observatory. The Commission considers that the policy objectives of knowledge dissemination and market transparency are of the utmost importance for the development of the audio-visual sector insofar they help operators' taking business decisions and assist regulatory instances to set the best environment from an overall view point. The activity of the Observatory in the area of market statistics, financial and legal information can effectively contribute to the achievement of such objectives and therefore, it is in the Community interest to support and consolidate the structure of the Observatory as well as the bilateral co-operation. The Observatory's contribution to the achievement of the objectives will be improved by the implementation of a new strategy, which, at present, is undergoing a feasibility assessment. The extension of the Community participation in the Observatory for the period 2005/2006 will secure political guidance and an important financial contribution to the Observatory's ordinary activity over the period necessary to define new strategies. The Commission proposes the maintenance of the yearly budget at the level of 2004, being EUR 235 000. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** : - Budget line and heading - B 3 2017 - Autres actions dans le domaine audiovisuel ABB "15 05 01 03"; - Overall figures - Total allocation for action (Part B): EUR 0.470 million for commitment; - Period of application: 1/1/2005 - 31/12/2006; - Overall multiannual estimate of expenditure:

commitments and payments for 2005 and 2006 respectively: EUR 235 000; - Overall financial impact of human resources and other administrative expenditure; - Commitments and payments for 2005 and 2006 respectively - EUR 46 000. Total EUR 92 000 ; - Total : 2005 - EUR 281 000; 2006: EUR 281 000 Total commitments and appropriations - EUR 562 000.?

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Marieke SANDERS-TEN HOLTE (ELDR, NL) adding three new recitals to the proposal: - multimedia and the new technologies will play a greater role in the audiovisual sector. The Observatory could continue to play its important role if its capacity to follow these new developments were strengthened in due course; - although free movement of persons, goods and services is enshrined in the Treaty, the lack of information on the many differences in national regulations in the fields of fiscal and labour law acts as an obstacle to the free movement of audiovisual goods and services. The Observatory could offer a positive contribution by collecting and providing expertise and systematic information in the fields of tax and labour law, copyright and consumer protection law; - the Observatory should be invited to collect data on an annual basis on the levels of television services provided in all Member States of the European Union or of the Council of Europe to assist disabled people, such as subtitling, audio description and sign language.?

European Audiovisual Observatory: prolonging the Community participation

PURPOSE : to extend Community participation in the European Audiovisual Observatory for the period 2005/2006.

LEGISLATIVE ACT : Decision 2239/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Decision 1999/784/EC concerning Community participation in the European

Audiovisual Observatory.

CONTENT : by Decision 1999/784/EC, the Community began participation in the European Audiovisual Observatory for a period ending on 31 December 2004. The Commission considers that the policy objectives of knowledge dissemination and market transparency are of the utmost importance for the development of the audio-visual sector insofar they help operators' taking business decisions and assist regulatory instances to set the best environment from an overall view point.

The Observatory's contribution to the achievement of the objectives will be improved by the implementation of a new strategy, which, at present, is undergoing a feasibility assessment. The extension of the Community participation in the Observatory for the period 2005/2006 will secure political guidance and an important financial contribution to the Observatory's ordinary activity over the period necessary to define new strategies.

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The purpose of this Commission Decision is to adopt the instruments enabling the implementation of Council Decision 2239/2004/EC of 17 November 2004. In order to do this, the Commission concluded a 'Memorandum of Understanding' (MoU) whereby it formalised the involvement of the Community in the European Audiovisual Observatory.

In so doing, the Commission confirms that the payment of the Community's annual financial contribution to the Observatory will take place according to the rules laid down in the MoU attached to the Decision, with a maximum annual ceiling set at 235.000 EUR by the budgetary authority.

The MoU contains, in addition, the technical and financial details relating to the payment of the Community's contribution.