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FOLLOW-UP TO THE SUTHERLAND REPORT

**LEGISLATIVE CONSOLIDATION
TO ENHANCE THE TRANSPARENCY OF COMMUNITY LAW
IN THE AREA OF THE INTERNAL MARKET**

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Legislative consolidation to enhance the transparency of Community law in the area of the Internal Market

1. The European Council, at its Edinburgh meeting, stressed the importance of legislative consolidation (constitutive codification) in making Community legislation more accessible, concise and comprehensible, while assuring legal security. It called for an accelerated method of working, that would be mutually acceptable to the Community institutions, to adopt consolidated legislation quickly and effectively. In relation to the particular area of the Internal Market, the practical importance of consolidation was emphasised by the Sutherland group in its report "The Internal Market after 1992: Meeting the Challenge". Support for consolidation was also expressed by the Council in its resolution of 7 December 1992 on "Making the Internal Market work", by the European Parliament in its resolution of 18 December 1992 on the follow-up to the 1992 Internal Market Programme (based on the de la Camara / Rogalla report of the Economic and Monetary Committee) and by Ministers for Justice meeting in London in 1992. In its communication of 2 December 1992 in response to the recommendations of the Sutherland group (SEC(92)2277 final), the Commission undertook to identify the needs for legislative consolidation in the area of the Internal Market.

2. As a first step, the legislative programme, for the first time, has defined the priorities for legislative consolidation the Commission has initiated in 1993, which covers several areas of Internal Market legislation. In the light of the Sutherland report, the Commission has undertaken a review of the present legislation with the objective of reinforcing its transparency. The present communication presents the outcome of this examination and its consequences for consolidation requirements.

3. Legislative consolidation combines an initial legal text and all subsequent amendments into a single authoritative legal text: this must be distinguished from declaratory consolidation, whereby the Commission produces informal texts of the original piece of legislation with later amendments inserted at appropriate points. Texts concerning certain sectors of the Internal Market which have been prepared on this basis are now made available on the INFO 92 database. Declaratory consolidation should become easier with the introduction of the new automatic system which has been developed by the Office for Official Publications of the European Communities. While acknowledging the usefulness of this procedure, the Sutherland group pointed out that only legislative consolidation could ensure the transparency of Community legislation; the system developed by the office for Official Publications will also facilitate such legislative consolidation.

Previous proposals

4. Since 1990, the Commission has put forward a series of proposals on the legislative consolidation and recasting of Internal Market legislation, with mixed results. It is disappointing to note that, despite declarations of support for the principle of consolidation, most of the proposals have progressed very slowly, or not at all, at Council level with some exceptions, such as the "refonte" in the customs field, which has been successfully completed with the adoption of the customs code. The situation regarding proposals made to date is set out in annex 1.

5. The principal reasons for these delays are twofold :

- the use of the consolidation proposal, which should be no more than a technical exercise, as an opportunity to reopen debate in the Council on the substance of the directives ;
- the view in some cases that the imminence of amending legislation is such as to render it inopportune to proceed with consolidation until such time as the amending legislation has been adopted.

There is no reason why consolidation proposals should lead to debates on the substance of the measures subject to the exercise nor is the evolving nature of the legislation a reason to postpone such an exercise. Experience shows that the Council can overcome these difficulties, as it has completed its work in the areas mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

Identified needs for consolidation

6. Legislation in all areas of the internal market has been reviewed to determine the areas in which the needs for transparency appear to be the greatest. These areas include technical legislation, recognition of diplomas, financial services, indirect taxation, and veterinary and phytosanitary legislation.

7. The Commission's legislative programmes for 1993 (COM(93)43, and for 1994 (COM(93)588/3 already include proposals for consolidation in a variety of areas related to internal market such as :

- the seeds sector covering 7 basic directives and their 147 amendments ;
- textile names covering 1 basic directive and 3 amendments ;
- cosmetic products covering 1 basic directive and 21 amendments ;
- excise duties on tobacco products covering 1 basic directive and its 7 amendments.
- binary textile fibre mixtures: methods for quantitative analysis covering 1 basic directive and 3 amendments.
- banking legislation covering 6 basic directives and their 11 amendments.
- plant health legislation: protective measures against the introduction of organisms harmful to plants and plant products, covering 1 basic directive and its 26 amendments.

Annex 2 of the present communication sets out the needs for legislative consolidation in the Internal Market area further to those included in the 1993 and 1994 annual programmes. These needs will be taken into account in the preparation of the legislative programmes for the next few years in accordance with the priorities identified and the resources available.

8. The list set out in Annex 2 is based on a systematic analysis of the present legislation adopted mainly within the framework of the Internal Market white paper. Much of this legislation is not included in this list because the legislation is being restructured with the objectives of simplification and greater transparency :

- Technical regulations - A major restructuring process was initiated with the introduction of the new approach ; this process has permitted a simplification of the legislation relating to dangerous preparations, machinery, gas appliances and non-automatic weighing instruments ; the pending proposal on electrical materials in an explosive atmosphere will permit a restructuring within 1 text of the present 3 basic directives with 9 modifications ; the pending proposal on lifting equipment and elevators will restructure the present 2 directives with 4 modifications ; and the pending proposal on medical devices will repeal the existing basic directive on medical thermometers, which has been twice modified. In addition, two new proposals based on the "new approach principles" will be issued by the Commission, one on pressure equipment, which will repeal the present legislation, and the other on metrology, which will replace the present 12 basic directives and 31 modifications. In the field of foodstuffs, the four present proposals on additives will replace the five current directives and their 54 amendments ; the result will be a simplification of the present legislation which the Commission intends to amplify by starting expert work on the creation of a unified legislation on foodstuffs. As far as technical standards for specific foodstuffs are concerned, the existing "vertical" directives will be simplified, as indicated by the Commission at the meeting of the European Council in Edinburgh. In the field of motor vehicle legislation consisting of 108 different measures, the Commission intends to consolidate progressively as amendments are introduced in the directives of the Council or the Commission.
- Freedom of establishment - In view of the jurisprudence of the Court of Justice on the direct applicability of Articles 52 and 59 of the Treaty, the provisions of directives in this area regarding the abolition of restrictions will be repealed. In some cases this will permit the repeal of entire directives : this is the case as regards the 7 directives on the freedom of establishment and the freedom to supply services in the field of agriculture. Different provisions regarding proof of good character and financial capacity will be replaced by a single standard clause, and some definitions mentioned in obsolete directives will be inserted into directives containing such provisions.
- Financial services - In the insurance sector, consolidation must await the entry into force of all the legislation.

Conclusions

9. The completion of the consolidation for which the need is identified in this communication depends on the existence of certain conditions.

The Commission must carry out its task within the framework of the resources available. Consolidation presents considerable practical problems, particularly from the point of view of managing the exercise in the nine languages of the Community.

Secondly, the procedural problems referred to above will have to be resolved. It must be pointed out that the problem of the reopening of debate on substantive issues does not normally arise in the case of the European Parliament, but only in the case of the Council. If progress is to be made in the area of consolidation, it will be necessary to avoid this tendency either by devising new procedures or working methods. Unless a firm commitment is given in this respect it will not be possible to advance in fulfilling the needs for consolidation.

As long ago as 1973 the Commission proposed that the Council delegate to it the right to undertake consolidation. There is nothing in the nature of the activity that should render this unacceptable from an institutional point of view. However, if this solution is not favoured, the Commission would underline the urgency of finding a procedural solution, in keeping with the conclusions of the Presidency on the Edinburgh European Council, which requested that an accelerated and mutually acceptable working method be found by the institutions whereby consolidated texts can be adopted rapidly under the normal decision-making process. The Commission plays its full role, in cooperation with the other institutions, in seeking such a solution. Finally, the problem of the postponement of consolidation due to impending amendments also represents a fundamental obstacle to progress in this area, as legislation is inevitably subject to an ongoing process of adaptation to changing circumstances and technical developments. The Commission fully appreciates that it would be inappropriate to propose consolidation in sectors where legislation at Community level is at an early stage of its development and where key elements of such legislation are either still on the drawing board or are under discussion: nevertheless, even in areas where legislation has reached a more "stable" position, there will always be the prospect of adaptation. If this is accepted as a reason for postponing consolidation, there are few areas in which progress will be possible. Although it is beyond the scope of the present communication, the possibility of systematically integrating amendments into existing basic or consolidated texts i.e., systematic recourse to "refonte" as described above, should be examined as a long-term solution to this problem. However, the Commission would be more open to this solution if the procedural problems referred to above were resolved.

Annex 1

Previous legislative consolidation proposals on Internal Market legislation

AGRICULTURAL TRACTORS (SEC (91) 466)

Date of proposal : 20.6.91

Present position : Council

Directives : 24 directives and their 16 modifications

UNITS OF MEASURES (SEC (91) 1047)

Date of proposal : 20.6.91

Present position : Council

Directives : 1 directive and 3 modifications

DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES - MARKETING AND USE (SEC (91) 1608)

Date of proposal : 9.9.91

Present position : Council

Directives : 1 directive and 12 modifications

FERTILISERS (SEC (91) 1858)

Date of proposal : 5.12.91

Present position : Council

Directives : 4 directives and 7 modifications

DOCTORS' DIPLOMAS (SEC (91) 2316)

Date of proposal : 12.12.91

Present position : Adopted by the Council on 5 April 1993

Directives : 3 directives and 4 modifications

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT - PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS (SEC (91) 2360) ; COM (92) 345-SYN 439)

Date of proposal : 9.1.92

Present position : Adopted by the Council on 14 June 1993

Directives : 1 directive and 4 modifications and 1 adaptation

FRUIT JUICES (SEC (92) 949-SYN 416)

Date of proposal : 18.5.92

Present position : Adopted by the Council on 21 September 1993

Directives : 1 directive and 3 modifications

Annex 2

**Identified needs for legislative consolidation
in the Internal Market field¹**

NEW APPROACH

Machinery L CS 89/392 of 14/06/89, JOCE L 183/89
amended by
L CS 91/368 of 20/06/91, JOCE L 198/91
(plus modifications in progress)

PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS

Proprietary medicinal products L CS 65/65 of 26/01/65, JOCE L 22/65
amended by
L CS 66/454 of 28/07/66, JOCE L 144/66
L CS 75/319 of 20/05/75, JOCE L 147/75
L CS 83/570 of 26/10/83, JOCE L 332/83
L CS 87/21 of 22/12/86, JOCE L 15/87
L CS 89/341 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 89/342 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 89/343 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 92/27 of 31/03/92, JOCE L 113/92
L CS 92/73 of 22/09/92, JOCE L 297/92

Proprietary medicinal products L CS 75/319 of 20/05/75, JOCE L 147/75
amended by
L CS 78/420 of 2/05/78, JOCE L 123/78
L CS 83/570 of 26/10/83, JOCE L 332/83
L CS 89/341 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 89/342 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 89/343 of 3/05/89, JOCE L 142/89
L CS 89/381 of 14/06/89, JOCE L 181/89
L CS 92/27 of 31/03/92, JOCE L 113/92
L CS 92/73 of 22/09/92, JOCE L 297/92

¹ This annex does not include the proposals in the legislative programmes for 1993 and 1994.

- Colouring in medicinal products** L CS 78/25 of 12/12/77, JOCE L 11/78
amended by
L CS 81/464 of 24/06/81, JOCE L 183/81
AA 185I, JOCE L 302/85
- Veterinary medicinal products** L CS 81/851 of 28/09/81, JOCE L 317/81
amended by
L CS 90/676 of 13/12/90, JOCE L 373/90
L CS 90/677 of 13/12/90, JOCE L 373/90
L CS 92/74 of 22/09/92, JOCE L 297/92

FOODSTUFFS

- Labelling, presentation and advertising** L CS 79/112 of 18/12/78, JOCE L 33/79
amended by
L CS 85/7 of 19/12/84, JOCE L 2/85
L CS 86/197 of 26/05/86, JOCE L 144/86
L CS 89/395 of 14/06/89, JOCE L 186/89
L COM 91/72 of 16/01/91, JOCE L 42/91
(plus modifications in progress)

CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES

- Approximation of laws / detergents** L CS 73/404 of 22/11/73, JOCE L 347/73
amended by
L CS 82/242 of 31/03/82, JOCE L 109/82
L CS 86/94 of 10/03/86, JOCE L 80/86
- Detergents / anionic detergents** L CS 73/405 of 22/11/73, JOCE L 347/73
amended by
L CS 82/243 of 31/02/82, JOCE L 109/82

PACKAGING

Pre-packaged liquids

L CS 75/106 of 19/12/74, JOCE L 42/75

amended by

L COM 78/891 of 28/09/78, JOCE L 311/78

L CS 79/1005 of 23/11/79, JOCE L 308/79

L CS 85/10 of 18/12/84, JOCE L 4/85

L CS 88/316 of 7/06/88, JOCE L 143/88

L CS 89/676 of 21/12/89, JOCE L 398/89

Pre-packaged products

L CS 76/211 of 20/01/76, JOCE L 46/76

amended by

L COM 78/891 of 28/09/78, JOCE L 311/78

Quantities and capacities for pre-packaged products

L CS 80/232 of 15/01/80, JOCE L 51/80

amended by

L CS 86/96 of 18/03/86, JOCE L 80/86

L CS 87/356 of 25/06/87, JOCE L 192/87

MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications of nurses

L CS 77/452 of 27/6/77, JOCE L 176/77

amended by

AA 179H, JOCE L 291/79

L CS 81/1057 of 14/12/81, JOCE L 385/81

AA 185I, JOCE L 302/85

L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89

L CS 89/595 of 10/10/89, JOCE L 341/89

L CS 90/658 of 4/12/90, JOCE L 353/90

Activities of nurses

L CS 77/453 of 27/6/77, JOCE L 176/77

amended by

L CS 89/595 of 10/10/89, JOCE L 341/89

Qualifications of dentists	L CS 78/686 of 25/7/78, JOCE L 233/78 <u>amended by</u> AA 179H, JOCE L 291/79 L CS 81/1057 of 14/12/81, JOCE L 385/81 AA 185I, JOCE L 302/85 L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89 L CS 90/658 of 4/12/90, JOCE L 353/90
Qualifications of veterinary surgeons	L CS 78/1026 of 18/12/78, JOCE L 362/78 <u>amended by</u> AA 179H AA 185I L CS 81/1057 of 14/12/81, JOCE L 385/81 L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89 L CS 90/658 of 4/12/90, JOCE L 353/90
Activities of veterinary surgeons	L CS 78/1027 of 18/12/78, JOCE L 362/78 <u>amended by</u> L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89
Qualifications in midwifery	L CS 80/154 of 21/1/80, JOCE L 033/80 <u>amended by</u> L CS 80/1273 of 22/12/80, JOCE L 375/80 AA 185I, JOCE L 302/85 L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89 L CS 90/658 of 4/12/90, JOCE L 353/90
Activities of midwives	L CS 80/155 of 21/1/80, JOCE L 033/80 <u>amended by</u> L CS 89/594 of 30/10/89, JOCE L 341/89
<u>BANKS</u>	
Freedom of establishment / provision of services	L CS 73/183 of 28/6/73, JOCE L 194/73

INDIRECT TAXATION

VAT, 6th Directive

L CS 77/388 of 17/5/77, JOCE L 145/77

amended by

L CS 80/368 of 26/3/80, JOCE L 90/80

L CS 84/386 of 31/7/84, JOCE L 208/84

AA 179 H, JOCE L 291/79

AA 185 I, JOCE 302/85

L CS 89/465 of 18/7/89, JOCE L 226/89

L CS 91/680 of 16/12/91, JOCE L 376/91

L CS 92/77 of 19/10/92, JOCE L 316/92

L CS 92/111 of 14/12/92, JOCE L 384/92

Exemptions for travellers

L CS 69/169 of 28/5/69, JOCE L 133/69

amended by

AA 172B

AA 179H

L CS 72/230 of 12/6/72, JOCE L 139/72

L CS 77/82 of 18/1/77, JOCE L 23/77

L CS 77/800 of 19/12/77, JOCE L 336/77

L CS 78/1032 of 19/12/78, JOCE L 366/78

L CS 78/1033 of 19/12/78, JOCE L 366/78

L CS 81/933 of 17/11/81, JOCE L 338/81

L CS 82/443 of 29/6/82, JOCE L 206/82

L CS 85/348 of 8/7/85, JOCE L 183/85

L CS 88/664 of 21/12/88, JOCE L 382/88

L CS 89/194 of 13/3/89, JOCE L 73/89

L COM 89/220 of 7/3/89, JOCE L 92/89

L CS 91/191 of 27/3/91, JOCE L 94/91

L CS 91/673 of 19/12/91, JOCE L 373/91

L CS 91/680 of 16/12/91, JOCE L 376/91

L CS 92/111 of 14/12/92, JOCE L 384/92

VETERINARY LEGISLATION

Intra-Community trade in fresh meat L CS 72/461 of 12/12/72 JOCE L 302/72

amended by

L CS 75/379 of 24/06/75, JOCE L 172/75

L CS 77/98 of 21/12/76, JOCE L 26/77

AA 179H

L CS 80/213 of 22/01/80, JOCE L 47/80

L CS 80/1099 of 11/11/80, JOCE L 325/80

L CS 81/476 of 24/06/81, JOCE L 186/81

L CS 82/893 of 21/12/82, JOCE L 378/82

L CS 83/646 of 13/12/83, JOCE L 360/83

L CS 84/336 of 19/06/84, JOCE L 177/84

L CS 84/643 of 11/12/84 JOCE L 339/84

L CS 85/322 of 12/06/85, JOCE L 168/85

R CS 85/3768 of 20/12/85, JOCE L 362/85

D CS 87/231 of 7/04/87, JOCE L 99/87

L CS 87/64 of 30/12/86, JOCE L 34/87

L CS 87/489 of 22/09/87, JOCE L 280/87
L CS 89/662 of 11/12/89, JOCE L 395/89
L CS 91/266 of 21/05/91, JOCE L 134/91
L CS 91/687 of 11/12/91, JOCE L 377/91

**Importation of animals and of fresh
meat**

L CS 72/462 of 12/12/72 JOCE 302/72

amended by

L CS 75/379 of 24/06/75, JOCE L 172/75
L CS 77/96 of 21/12/76, JOCE L 26/77
L CS 77/98 of 21/12/76, JOCE L 26/77
D.COM 78/685 of 26/07/78, JOCE L 227/78
AA 179H
L CS 81/476 of 24/06/81, JOCE L 186/81
L CS 83/91 of 7/02/83, JOCE L 59/83
R CS 85/3768 of 20/12/85, JOCE L 362/85
L CS 86/469 of 16/09/86 JOCE L 275/86
L CS 87/64 of 30/12/86, JOCE L 34/87
L CS 88/289 of 3/05/88, JOCE L 124/88
L CS 88/657 of 14/12/88, JOCE L 382/88
L CS 89/227 of 21/03/89, JOCE L 93/89
L CS 89/662 of 11/12/89, JOCE L 395/89
D COM 90/13 of 20/12/89, JOCE L 8/90
L CS 90/423 of 26/06/90, JOCE L 224/90
L CS 90/425 of 26/06/90, JOCE L 224/90
L CS 90/675 of 10/12/90, JOCE L 373/90
L CS 91/69 of 28/01/91, JOCE L 46/91
L CS 91/266 of 21/05/91, JOCE L 134/91
L CS 91/496 of 15/07/91, JOCE L 268/91
L CS 91/497 of 15/07/91, JOCE L 268/91
L CS 91/688 of 11/12/91, JOCE L 377/91
R CS 92/1601 of 15/06/92, JOCE L 173/92

Intra-Community trade in meat products L CS 80/215 of 22/1/80, JOCE L 47/80

amended by

L CS 80/1100 of 11/11/80, JOCE L 325/80
L CS 81/476 of 24/06/81, JOCE L 186/81
L CS 85/321 of 12/06/85, JOCE L 168/85
R CS 85/3768 of 20/12/85, JOCE L 362/85
L CS 87/491 of 22/09/87 JOCE L 279/87
L CS 88/660 of 19/12/88, JOCE L 382/88
L CS 89/662 of 11/12/89, JOCE L 395/89
L CS 91/687 of 11/12/91, JOCE L 377/91

Control of classical swine fever L CS 80/217 of 22/1/80, JOCE L 47/80

amended by

L CS 80/1101 of 22/12/80, JOCE L 325/80
L CS 80/1274 of 22/12/80, JOCE L 375/80
L CS 81/476 of 24/06/81, JOCE L 186/81
L CS 84/645 of 11/12/84, JOCE L 339/84
L CS 85/586 of 20/12/85, JOCE L 372/85
R CS 85/3768 of 20/12/85, JOCE L 362/85
L CS 87/486 of 27/09/87, JOCE L 280/87
L CS 91/685 of 11/12/91, JOCE L 377/91

PLANT HEALTH LEGISLATION

Placing on the market of plant health products L CS 79/117 of 21/12/78, JOCE L 33/79

amended by

AA 179H
L COM 83/131 of 14/03/83, JOCE L 91/83
L COM 85/298 of 22/05/85, JOCE L 154/85
R CS 85/3768 of 12/06/85, JOCE L 362/85
L CS 86/214 of 26/05/86, JOCE L 152/86

L CS 86/355 of 21/07/86, JOCE L 212/86
L CS 87/181 of 9/03/87, JOCE L 71/87
L COM 87/477 of 9/09/87, JOCE L 273/87
L CS 89/365 of 30/05/89, JOCE L 159/89
L COM 90/335 of 7/06/90, JOCE L 162/90
L CS 90/533 of 15/10/90 JOCE L 296/90
L COM 91/188 of 19/03/91 JOCE L 92/91

Additives in animal feedingstuffs

L CS 70/524 of 23/11/70, JOCE L 270/70
amended by
L CS 84/587 of 29/11/84, JOCE L 319/84
L COM 85/429 of 8/07/85, JOCE L 245/85
L COM 85/520 of 11/11/85, JOCE L 323/85
R CS 85/3768 of 12/06/85, JOCE L 362/85
L COM 86/300 of 4/06/86, JOCE L 189/86
L COM 86/403 of 4/06/86, JOCE L 233/86
L COM 86/525 of 27/10/86, JOCE L 310/86
L COM 87/243 of 23/04/87, JOCE L 110/87
L COM 87/244 of 23/04/87, JOCE L 110/87
L CS 87/316 of 16/06/87, JOCE L 160/87
L CS 87/317 of 16/06/87, JOCE L 160/87
L COM 87/552 of 17/11/87, JOCE L 336/87
L CS 88/228 of 20/4/88, JOCE L 101/88
L COM 88/483 of 14/07/88, JOCE L 237/88
L COM 88/616 of 30/11/88, JOCE L 343/88
L COM 89/23 of 21/12/88, JOCE L 11/89
L COM 89/583 of 27/10/89, JOCE L 325/89
L COM 90/110 of 19/02/90, JOCE L 76/90
L COM 90/206 of 9/04/90, JOCE L 106/90
L COM 90/214 of 20/04/90, JOCE L 113/90
L COM 90/412 of 20/07/90, JOCE L 209/90
L CS 90/654 of 4/12/90, JOCE L 353/90
L COM 91/248 of 12/04/91, JOCE L 124/91
L COM 91/249 of 19/04/91, JOCE L 124/91

L COM 91/336 of 10/06/91 JOCE L 185/91

L COM 91/508 of 9/09/91 JOCE L 271/91

L COM 91/620 of 22/11/91, JOCE L 334/91

L COM 92/64 of 13/07/92, JOCE L 221/92

**Levels of undesirable products and
substances in animal nutrition**

L CS 74/63 of 17/12/73, JOCE L 38/74

amended by

L COM 76/934 of 1/12/76 JOCE L 364/76

AA 179H

L CS 80/502 of 6/05/80, JOCE L 124/80

L COM 83/381 of 28/07/83, JOCE L 222/83

R CS 85/3768 of 12/06/85, JOCE L 362/85

L COM 86/299 of 3/06/86, JOCE L 189/86

L CS 86/354 of 21/07/86, JOCE L 212/86

L COM 87/238 of 1/04/87, JOCE L 110/87

L CS 87/519 of 19/10/87 JOCE L 304/87

L COM 91/126 of 13/02/91, JOCE L 60/91

L CS 91/132 of 4/03/91, JOCE L 66/91

L COM 92/63 of 10/07/92, JOCE L 221/92

L CS 92/88 of 26/10/92, JOCE L 321/92

Abbreviations

For the Acts

R : Regulation
L : Directive
D : Decision
AA : Accession treaties

For the institutions

CS : Council
COM : Commission

A reference reads as follows

L	CS	87/404	25/6/87	JOCE	L	220/87
nature of the act : directive	author of the act : Council	number of the directive	date of adoption	Official Journal of the European Communities	serie : L	number of Official Journal