

**DECISION TAKEN BY COMMON AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
MEMBER STATES, MEETING AT HEAD OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT LEVEL,
of 13 December 2003
on the location of the seats of certain offices and agencies of the European Union**

(2004/97/EC, Euratom)

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEMBER STATES, MEETING AT
HEAD OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT LEVEL,

Having regard to Article 289 of the Treaty establishing the
European Community and Article 189 of the Treaty estab-
lishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Decision 2000/820/JHA established a European
Police College (CEPOL) ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parlia-
ment and of the Council ⁽²⁾ established the European
Food Safety Authority.
- (3) Council Decision 2002/187/JHA ⁽³⁾ set up Eurojust.
- (4) Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002 of the European Parlia-
ment and of the Council ⁽⁴⁾ established a European Mari-
time Safety Agency.
- (5) Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 of the European Parlia-
ment and of the Council ⁽⁵⁾ established a European Avia-
tion Safety Agency.
- (6) The establishment of a European Railway Agency is
envisaged on the basis of the proposal submitted by the
Commission on 24 January 2002 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (7) The establishment of a European Network and Informa-
tion Security Agency is envisaged on the basis of the
proposal submitted by the Commission on 11 February
2003.
- (8) The establishment of a European Center for Disease
Prevention and Control is envisaged on the basis of the
proposal submitted by the Commission on 8 August
2003.
- (9) The establishment of a European Chemicals Agency is
envisaged on the basis of the proposal submitted by the
Commission on 29 October 2003.
- (10) The location of the seats of these different Offices and
Agencies should be determined,

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

- (a) The European Police College shall have its seat in
Bramshill.
- (b) The European Food Safety Authority shall have its seat in
Parma.
- (c) Eurojust shall have its seat in the Hague.
- (d) The European Maritime Safety Agency shall have its seat in
Lisbon.
- (e) The European Aviation Safety Agency shall have its seat in
Köln.
- (f) The European Railway Agency shall have its seat in Lille-
Valenciennes.
- (g) The European Network and Information Security Agency
shall have its seat in a town in Greece to be determined by
the Greek Government.
- (h) The European Center for Disease Prevention and Control
shall have its seat in a town in Sweden to be determined by
the Swedish Government.
- (i) The European Chemicals Agency shall have its seat in
Helsinki.

Article 2

This Decision, which will be published in the *Official Journal of
the European Union*, shall enter into force on this day.

Done at Brussels, 13 December 2003.

The President
S. BERLUSCONI

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 336, 30.12.2000, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 31 of 1.2.2002, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation
(EC) No 1642/2003 (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 4).

⁽³⁾ OJ L 63 of 6.3.2002, p. 1. Decision as amended by Decision 2003/
659/JHA (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 44).

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 208 of 5.8.2002, p. 1. Regulation as amended by Regulation
(EC) No 1644/2003 (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 10).

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 240 of 7.9.2002, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commis-
sion Regulation (EC) No 1701/2003 (OJ L 243, 27.9.2003, p. 5).

⁽⁶⁾ OJ C 126 E of 28.5.2002, p. 323.