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COURT OF JUSTICE

Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 13 November 2007 — Commission of the European Communities v Ireland(Case C-507/03) ⁽¹⁾**(Public procurement — Articles 43 EC and 49 EC — Directive 92/50/EEC — Award of a public contract to the Irish postal service An Post without a prior contract notice — Certain cross-border interest — Transparency)**

(2007/C 315/02)

*Language of the case: English***Parties***Applicant:* Commission of the European Communities (represented by: X. Lewis and K. Wiedner, Agents, J. Flynn QC, acting as Agents)*Defendant:* Ireland, represented by D. O'Hagan, Agent, E. Regan and B. O'Moore SC and C. O'Toole, Barrister*Interveners in support of the defendant:* Kingdom of Denmark (represented by J. Molde and A. Jacobsen, Agents), French Republic (represented by G. de Bergues, D. Petrausch and S. Ramet, Agents), Kingdom of the Netherlands (represented by H. G. Sevenster, C. Wissels and P. van Ginneken, Agents), Republic of Finland (represented by A. Guimaraes-Purokoski, Agent)**Re:**

Failure of a Member State to fulfil its obligations — Infringement of Articles 43 and 49 EC — Procedure for award of public contracts — Decision to award a public contract without publication of a prior contract notice — Contract awarded to the Irish postal service (An Post) under which recipients of social welfare benefits could collect their payments from post offices

Operative part of the judgment*The Court:*

1. Dismisses the action;
2. Orders the Commission of the European Communities to pay the costs;

3. Orders the Kingdom of Denmark, the French Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Republic of Finland to bear their own costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 35, 7.2.2004.**Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 23 October 2007 — Republic of Poland v Council of the European Union**(Case C-273/04) ⁽¹⁾**(Action for annulment — Council Decision 2004/281/EC — Common agricultural policy — Act concerning the conditions of accession to the European Union — Adaptation — Infringement of principle of non-discrimination)**

(2007/C 315/03)

*Language of the case: Polish***Parties***Applicant:* Republic of Poland (represented by: T. Nowakowski, E. Ośniecka-Tamecka, M. Szpunar, B. Majczyna, K. Rokicka and I. Niemirka, Agents)*Interveners in support of the applicant:* Republic of Latvia (represented by A. Zikmane and E. Balode-Buraka, Agents), Republic of Lithuania (represented by D. Kriauciūnas, Agent), Republic of Hungary (represented by P. Gottfried and R. Somssich, Agents)*Defendant:* Council of the European Union (represented by: F. Ruggeri Laderchi, K. Zieleśkiewicz and F. Florindo Gijón, Agents)*Intervener in support of the defendant:* Commission of the European Communities (represented by T. van Rijn, A. Stobiecka-Kuik and L. Visaggio, Agents)