

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 3 December 1997

concerning a request for exemption submitted by Germany pursuant to Article 8 (2) (c) of Council Directive 70/156/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of motor vehicles and their trailers

(Only the German text is authentic)

(97/848/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,  
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 70/156/EEC of 6 February 1970 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of motor vehicles and their trailers<sup>(1)</sup>, as last amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 97/27/EC<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 8 (2) (c) thereof,

Whereas the request submitted by Germany on 10 June 1997, which was received by the Commission on 23 June 1997, contained the information required by Article 8 (2) (c); whereas the request concerns the production of glazing from a hard material (polycarbonate) and installation of the same in a type of vehicle;

Whereas the reasons set out in the request — according to which such glazing, and installation of the same, do not meet the requirements of the relevant Directive, namely Council Directive 92/22/EEC of 31 March 1992 on safety glazing and glazing materials on motor vehicles and their trailers<sup>(3)</sup> — are well-founded;

Whereas the Community Directive concerned will be amended in order to permit the production and installation of such glazing;

Whereas the measure provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on Adap-

tation to Technical Progress set up by Directive 70/156/EEC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The request submitted by Germany for an exemption concerning the production of glazing from a hard material (polycarbonate) and installation of the same in the rear lateral part of a type of motor vehicle is hereby approved.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 3 December 1997.

*For the Commission*

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*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 42, 23. 2. 1970, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 233, 25. 8. 1997, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 129, 14. 5. 1992, p. 11.