Order of the General Court of 7 October 2016 — Slovenia v Commission

(Case T-12/16) $(^{1})$

(EAGF and EAFRD — Expenditure excluded from financing — Expenditure incurred by Slovenia — Adoption of Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1059 — No need to adjudicate)

(2017/C 006/47)

Language of the case: Slovenian

Parties

Applicant: Republic of Slovenia (represented by: L. Bembič, acting as agent)

Defendant: European Commission (represented by: B. Rous Demiri and D. Triantafyllou, acting as agents)

Re:

Application based on Article 263 TFEU and seeking the annulment of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/2098 of 13 November 2015 excluding from European Union financing certain expenditure incurred by the Member States under the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and under the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (OJ 2015 L 303, p. 35), in so far as that decision concerns the Republic of Slovenia.

Operative part of the order

- 1. There is no longer any need to adjudicate on the action.
- 2. The European Commission is ordered to bear its own costs and to pay those incurred by the Republic of Slovenia.

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Order of the President of the General Court of 11 November 2016 — Solelec and Others v Parliament

(Case T-281/16 R)

(Interim measures — Public works contracts — Tendering procedure — Electrical work (high-voltage current) as part of the project for the extension and refurbishment of the Parliament's Konrad Adenauer building in Luxembourg — Rejection of the bid submitted by a tenderer and decision to award the contract to another tenderer — Application for suspension of operation of a measure — Lack of urgency)

(2017/C 006/48)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicants: Solelec SA (Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg), Mannelli & Associés SA (Bertrange), Paul Wagner et fils SA (Luxembourg), Socom SA (Foetz) (represented by: S. Marx, lawyer)

Defendant: European Parliament (represented by: M. Mraz and L. Chrétien, agents)

Re:

Action on the basis of Articles 278 TFEU and 279 TFEU seeking suspension of the operation, first, of the decision of the Parliament of 27 May 2016 to reject the tender submitted by the applicants for lot No 75 in connection with a call for tenders with reference INLO-D-UPIL-T-15-AO6, concerning the project for the extension and refurbishment of the Konrad Adenauer building in Luxembourg and, secondly, of the decision awarding that lot to another tenderer.

Operative part of the order

- 1. The application for interim measures is dismissed.
- 2. The order of 9 June 2016 delivered in Case T-281/16 R is set aside.
- 3. The costs are reserved.

Action brought on 25 October 2016 — La Quadrature du Net and Others v Commission

(Case T-738/16)

(2017/C 006/49)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicants: La Quadrature du Net (Paris, France), French Data Network (Amiens), Fédération des Fournisseurs d'Accès à Internet Associatifs (Fédération FDN) (Amiens) (represented by: H. Roy, lawyer)

Defendant: European Commission

Form of order sought

The applicants claim that the Court should:

- declare Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1250 of 12 July 2016 to be contrary to Articles 7, 8 and 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union;
- annul that decision.

Pleas in law and main arguments

In support of the action, the applicants put forward four pleas in law.

- 1. First plea, alleging infringement of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union ('the Charter') by reason of the generalised nature of the collections allowed under the US regulatory regime. Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1250 of 12 July 2016 pursuant to Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adequacy of the protection provided by the EU-US Privacy Shield ('the contested decision') committed such an infringement by failing to draw the conclusion that the US regulatory regime is in particular contrary to the essence of the fundamental right to respect for private life guaranteed by Article 7 of the Charter.
- 2. Second plea, alleging infringement of the Charter, insofar as the contested decision wrongly found that the EU-US Privacy Shield assures a level of protection of fundamental rights that is substantially equivalent to that guaranteed within the European Union despite the fact that the operations allowed under the US regulatory regime are not limited to what is strictly necessary.
- 3. Third plea, alleging infringement of the Charter, to the extent that the contested decision failed to take into consideration the lack of effective remedy provided for under the US regulatory regime and concluded, notwithstanding that failure, that the abovementioned protection was equivalent.
- 4. Fourth plea, alleging infringement of the Charter, as the contested decision was manifestly incorrect in finding that the EU-US Privacy Shield assured protection equivalent to that guaranteed within the European Union, despite the lack of provision of independent monitoring under the US regulatory regime.