

**Judgment of the General Court of 19 December 2019 — Bulgaria v Commission**(Case T-22/18) <sup>(1)</sup>

*(EAGF and EAFRD — Expenditure excluded from financing — Expenditure incurred by Bulgaria — Rural development — Quality of on-the-spot checks — Review of eligibility and selection criteria — Financial corrections — Ex post controls — Method for calculating financial corrections — Recurrence — Corrective measures — Conformity clearance procedure — Legal certainty — Principle of sound financial management — Proportionality)*

(2020/C 54/51)

Language of the case: Bulgarian

**Parties**

*Applicant:* Republic of Bulgaria (represented by: E. Petranova and L. Zaharieva, acting as Agents)

*Defendant:* European Commission (represented by: J. Aquilina, G. Koleva and V. Bottka, acting as Agents)

**Re:**

Application under Article 263 TFEU seeking the partial annulment of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/2014 of 8 November 2017 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 2017 L 292, p. 61).

**Operative part of the judgment**

The Court:

1. *Dismisses the action;*
2. *Orders the Republic of Bulgaria to pay the costs.*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ C 104, 19.3.2018.

**Judgment of the General Court of 19 December 2019 — Wehrheim v ECB**(Case T-100/18) <sup>(1)</sup>

*(Civil service — ECB staff — Remuneration — Expatriation allowance — Discontinuation — Liability — Material and non-material harm — Service-related fault)*

(2020/C 54/52)

Language of the case: French

**Parties**

*Applicant:* Christine Wehrheim (Offenbach, Germany) (represented by: N. de Montigny, lawyer)

*Defendant:* European Central Bank (represented by: F. von Lindeiner and A. Andrzejewska, acting as Agents, and by B. Wägenbaur, lawyer)

**Re:**

Action under Article 270 TFEU and Article 50a of the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union seeking compensation for the material and non-material harm allegedly suffered by the applicant as a result of the error made by the ECB in the determination of her pecuniary rights at the time of her recruitment resulting in the grant of an expatriation allowance, which was subsequently discontinued.

**Operative part of the judgment**

The Court:

1. *Orders the European Central Bank (ECB) to pay the sum of EUR 1 000 to Ms Christine Wehrheim in respect of non-material damage, together with interest, from the date of delivery of the present judgment, at the rate applied by the ECB to its main refinancing operations, increased by 3.5 percentage points, until the date of payment by the ECB of the amount of EUR 1 000;*
2. *Dismisses the action as to the remainder;*
3. *Orders Ms Wehrheim and the ECB to bear their own costs.*

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(<sup>1</sup>) OJ C 152, 30.4.2018.

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**Judgment of the General Court of 19 December 2019 — Greece v Commission**

(Case T-295/18) (<sup>1</sup>)

**(EAGF and EAFRD — Expenditure excluded from financing — Expenditure incurred by Greece — Rural development — Decoupled direct aid — Key controls — Flat-rate financial corrections)**

(2020/C 54/53)

Language of the case: Greek

**Parties**

*Applicant:* Hellenic Republic (represented by: G. Kanellopoulos, I. Pachi, A. Vasilopoulou and E. Chroni, acting as Agents)

*Defendant:* European Commission (represented by: D. Triantafyllou and J. Aquilina, acting as Agents)

**Re:**

Application under Article 263 TFEU seeking the partial annulment of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/304 of 27 February 2018 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 2018 L 59, p. 3).