

In support of their claims, the applicants allege:

- breach of the Staff Regulations, in particular Articles 9 and 24a, and Annex II concerning the composition and procedure of the bodies provided for in Article 9 of the Staff Regulations;
- breach of the rules of procedure for Staff Committee elections, adopted by the General Assembly of officials on 19 January 1999;
- breach of the rules concerning the establishment of a Staff Committee, adopted by the Commission on 9 April 1968 and last amended on 22 October 1997;
- breach of general principles of law, such as the principle that all administrative acts or decisions must be based on sound and relevant grounds, not vitiated by errors in fact or law;
- conduct *ultra vires*.

The applicants maintain that the Commission, principally through the Director-General of DG IX, decided, in breach of the above rules and principles, to implement the procedure for renewal of the Brussels Staff Committee, on the view that the elections of 9, 10 and 11 March 1999, annulled by decision apparently dated 29 September 1999, could be resumed even though the election results had been annulled. This was done in the belief that it was unnecessary — *quod non* — to hold a General Assembly of officials, not only to establish a new electoral office but also to fix the date for the new ballot.

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