

**Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council adapting the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers laid down in European Parliament and Council instruments adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 251 of the Treaty**

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THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Articles 40, 47, 55, 71, 80, 95, 137, 150, 152, 153, 155, 156, 175, 179, 285 and 300(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,

Having regard to the opinion of the Committee of Regions,

Acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 251 of the Treaty,

Whereas:

- (1) Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission<sup>(1)</sup> repealed Decision 87/373/EEC<sup>(2)</sup>.
- (2) In accordance with the joint statement of the Council and of the Commission<sup>(3)</sup> on Decision 1999/468/EC, the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers, provided for in application of Decision 87/373/EEC, should be adapted in order to bring them into line with the provisions of Articles 3, 4 and 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC.
- (3) The aforesaid statement indicates the methods for adapting the committee procedures, which is automatic provided that this does not affect the nature of the committee provided for in the basic act.
- (4) The time limits set in the provisions to be adapted must remain in force. Wherever there is no specific time limit laid down for adopting the implementing measures, the time limit should be set at three months.
- (5) The provisions of the instruments providing for recourse to the type I committee procedure established by Decision 87/373/EEC should therefore be replaced by provisions referring to the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC.

(6) The provisions of the instruments providing for recourse to type IIa and IIb committee procedures established by Decision 87/373/EEC should be replaced by provisions referring to the management procedure provided for in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC.

(7) The provisions of the instruments providing for recourse to type IIIa and IIIb committee procedures established by Decision 87/373/EEC should be replaced by provisions referring to the regulatory procedure provided for in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

With regard to the advisory procedure, the instruments listed in Annex I are amended in accordance with this Annex.

*Article 2*

With regard to the management procedure, the instruments listed in Annex II are amended in accordance with this Annex.

*Article 3*

With regard to the regulatory procedure, the instruments listed in Annex III are amended in accordance with this Annex.

*Article 4*

References to provisions of the instruments in the annexes are understood to be references to these provisions as amended by this Regulation.

*Article 5*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 197, 18.7.1987, p. 33.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ C 203, 17.7.1999, p. 1.

## ANNEX I

## ADVISORY PROCEDURE

**List of amended instruments:**

1. Council Directive 88/378/EEC of 3 May 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning the safety of toys (OJ L 187, 16.7.1988, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5(1) do not entirely satisfy the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", setting out its reasons. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. In the light of the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards, or a part of them, from the publications referred to in Article 5(1).

2. The Commission shall inform the European standardisation body concerned and, if necessary, issue a new standardisation brief.'

2. Council Directive 89/336/EEC of 3 May 1989 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility (OJ L 139, 23.5.1989, p. 19).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 7(1)(a) do not entirely meet the requirements referred to in Article 4, the Member State concerned or the Commission shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", giving the reasons therefor. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. In the light of the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States as soon as possible whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards in whole or in part from the publications referred to in Article 7(1)(a).

2. After receipt of the communication referred to in Article 7(2), the Commission shall consult the Committee. Upon receipt of the latter's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States as soon as possible whether or not the national standard in question shall enjoy the presumption of conformity and, if so, that the references thereof shall be published nationally. If the Commission or a Member State considers that a national standard no longer satisfies the necessary conditions for presumption of compliance with the protection requirements referred to in Article 4, the Commission shall consult the Committee, which shall give its opinion without delay.

3. Upon receipt of the latter's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States as soon as possible whether or not the standard in question shall continue to enjoy a presumption of conformity and, if not, that it must be withdrawn in whole or in part from the publications referred to in Article 7(2).'

3. Council Directive 89/686/EEC of 21 December 1989 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to personal protective equipment (OJ L 399, 30.12.1989, p. 18).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5 do not entirely satisfy the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC<sup>(1)</sup>, giving the reasons therefor. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. Upon receipt of the committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards from the published information referred to in Article 5.

2. The Standing Committee set up by Article 6(2) of Directive 98/37/EC <sup>(2)</sup> may be apprised, in accordance with the procedure described below, of any matter to which the implementation and practical application of this Directive give rise. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

4. Council Directive 90/384/EEC of 20 June 1990 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to non-automatic weighing instruments (OJ L 189, 20.7.1990, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5(1) do not entirely meet the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", giving the reasons therefor. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. In the light of the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards from the publications referred to in Article 5(2).'

5. Council Directive 90/385/EEC of 20 June 1990 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to active implantable medical devices (OJ L 189, 20.7.1990, p. 17).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5 do not entirely meet the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, giving the reasons therefor. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. In the light of the opinion of the Committee, the Commission shall inform Member States of the measures to be taken with regard to the standards and the publication referred to in Article 5.

2. A Standing Committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", shall be set up, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure. Any matter relating to the implementation and practical application of this Directive may be brought before the Committee, in accordance with the procedure set out below. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

6. Council Directive 90/396/EEC of 29 June 1990 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to appliances burning gaseous fuels (OJ L 196, 26.7.1990, p. 15).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the standards referred to in Article 5(1) do not entirely meet the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", giving the reasons therefor. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. In the light of the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards from the publications referred to in Article 5(1).

4. After receipt of the communication referred to in Article 5(2), the Commission shall consult the Committee. Upon receipt of the latter's opinion, the Commission shall, within one month, inform the Member States whether or not the national standard(s) in question are to enjoy the presumption of conformity; if they are, the Member States shall publish the reference numbers of those standards. The Commission shall also publish them in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

7. Council Directive 90/377/EEC of 29 June 1990 concerning a Community procedure to improve the transparency of gas and electricity prices charged to industrial end-users (OJ L 185, 17.7.1990, p. 16).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*Article 7*

1. In the case of any changes to the Annexes, as referred to in Article 6, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

8. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 of 17 December 1991 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic (OJ L 365, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*Article 5*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of the representatives of the Member States, chaired by a representative of the Commission and matters shall be referred by the Chairman, either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

9. Council Regulation (EEC) No 2408/92 of 23 July 1992 on access for Community air carriers to intra-Community air routes (OJ L 240, 24.8.1992, p. 8).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*Article 11*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. The Committee shall advise the Commission on the application of Articles 9 and 10.

3. The Committee may furthermore be consulted by the Commission on any other matter concerning the application of this Regulation.

4. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.

5. Where reference is made to this Article, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

10. Council Directive 93/15/EEC of 5 April 1993 on the harmonisation of the provisions relating to the placing on the market and supervision of explosives for civil uses (OJ L 121, 15.5.1993, p. 20).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*Article 5*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 4 do not entirely meet the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, giving the reasons therefor. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. In the light of the opinion of the Committee, the Commission shall inform Member States of the measures to be taken with regard to the standards and the publication referred to in Article 4.'

11. Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 concerning medical devices (OJ L 169, 12.7.1993, p. 1).

Article 6(2) is replaced by the following:

'2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

12. Council Decision 93/704/EC of 30 November 1993 on the creation of a Community database on road accidents (OJ L 329, 30.12.1993, p. 63).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee established under Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

13. Directive 94/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 March 1994 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres (OJ L 100, 19.4.1994, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5(2) do not entirely satisfy the relevant essential health and safety requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, giving reasons therefor. The Committee shall be composed of representatives appointed by the Member States and chaired by a representative from the Commission. It shall draw up its own rules of procedure. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. Upon receipt of the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards from the published information referred to in Article 5(2).

2. The Commission may adopt any appropriate measure with a view to ensuring the practical application in a uniform manner of this Directive in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 3.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The Standing Committee may, in addition, examine any question concerning the application of this Directive and raised by its chairman, either at the chairman's initiative or at the request of a Member State.'

14. Decision No 3092/94/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 December 1994 introducing a Community system of information on home and leisure accidents (OJ L 331, 21.12.1994, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee set up by Article 10(1) of Directive 92/59/EEC.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The Committee may, at the request of the Commission or a Member State, examine any issue linked with the application of this Decision.'

15. Directive 95/16/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 June 1995 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to lifts (OJ L 213, 7.9.1995, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*Article 6*

1. Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the harmonised standards referred to in Article 5 (2) do not entirely satisfy the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Commission or the Member State concerned shall bring the matter before the Standing Committee set up under Directive 98/34/EC, giving the reasons therefor. The Committee shall be composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. It shall draw up its own rules of procedure. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. Upon receipt of the committee's opinion, the Commission shall inform the Member States whether or not it is necessary to withdraw those standards from the published information referred to in Article 5(2).
2. The Commission may adopt any appropriate measure with a view to ensuring the practical application in a uniform manner of this Directive in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 3.
3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
4. The Standing Committee may, in addition, examine any question concerning the application of this Directive and raised by its chairman, either at the chairman's initiative or at the request of a Member State.'

16. Council Directive 96/67/EC of 15 October 1996 on access to the groundhandling market at Community airports (OJ L 272, 25.10.1996, p. 36).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. The Committee shall advise the Commission on the application of Article 9.
3. The Committee may furthermore be consulted by the Commission on any other matter concerning the application of this Directive.
4. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.
5. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

17. Council Directive 96/75/EC of 19 November 1996 on the systems of chartering and pricing in national and international inland waterway transport in the Community (OJ L 304, 27.11.1996, p. 12).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee established by Directive 91/672/EEC.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

18. Directive 97/23/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 May 1997 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning pressure equipment (OJ L 181, 9.7.1997, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*Article 6*

Where a Member State or the Commission considers that the standards referred to in Article 5(2) do not entirely meet the essential requirements referred to in Article 3, the Member State concerned or the Commission shall inform the Standing Committee set up by Article 5 of Directive 98/34/EC giving the reasons therefor. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The Committee shall deliver an opinion without delay. Taking into account the Committee's opinion, the Commission shall notify the Member States as to whether or not those standards should be withdrawn from the publications referred to in Article 5(2).'

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission may take any appropriate measure to implement the following provisions: Where a Member State considers that, for very serious safety reasons,
  - an item or family of pressure equipment referred to in Article 3(3) should be subject to the requirements of Article 3(1), or
  - an assembly or family of assemblies referred to in Article 3(3) should be subject to the requirements of Article 3(2), or
  - an item or family of pressure equipment should be classified, by way of derogation from the requirements of Annex II, in another category, it shall submit a duly substantiated request to the Commission and ask it to take the necessary measures. Those measures shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 3.
2. The Commission shall be assisted by a Standing Committee, hereafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of representatives appointed by the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.
3. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken pursuant to paragraph 1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
4. The Committee may furthermore examine any other matter relating to the implementation and practical application of this Directive and raised by its chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of a Member State.'

19. Directive 98/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 1998 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices (OJ L 331, 7.12.1998, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the committee instituted by Article 5 of Directive 98/34/EC.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'
20. Decision No 283/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 January 1999 establishing a general framework for Community activities in favour of consumers (OJ L 34, 9.2.1999, p. 1).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. In defining the criteria for the selection of activities and projects referred to in Article 2(b) and (c) and in selecting these activities and projects, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  3. In addition, at the beginning of each year, the Commission shall provide the Committee with information about the activities financed under Article 2(a).'
21. Decision No 372/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 February 1999 adopting a programme of Community action on injury prevention in the framework for action in the field of public health (1999 to 2003) (OJ L 46, 20.2.1999, p. 1).

Article 5(3) is replaced by the following:

3. In addition, the Commission may consult the Committee on any other matter concerning the implementation of the programme. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

22. Directive 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 1999 on radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity (OJ L 91, 7.4.1999, p. 10).

Article 14 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 14*

1. The committee shall be consulted on the matters covered by Articles 5, 6(2), 7(4), 9(4) and Annex VII(5).
2. The Commission shall consult the committee periodically on the surveillance tasks related to the application of this Directive, and, where appropriate, issue guidelines on this matter.
3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof and the Commission shall decide within one month after having received the opinion of the committee.
4. The Commission shall periodically consult the representatives of the telecommunications networks providers, the consumers and the manufacturers. It shall keep the committee regularly informed of the outcome of such consultations.'

23. Council Directive 1999/13/EC of 11 March 1999 on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain activities and installations (OJ L 85, 23.3.1999, p. 1).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by an Advisory Committee made up of representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

24. Council Decision 1999/382/EC of 26 April 1999 establishing the second phase of the Community vocational training action programme Leonardo da Vinci (OJ L 146, 11.6.1999, p. 33).

Article 7(5) is replaced by the following:

*'(5) The representative of the Commission shall consult the Committee on other appropriate matters concerning implementation of this programme. In this case, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'*

25. Council Directive 1999/32/EC of 26 April 1999 relating to a reduction in the sulphur content of certain liquid fuels and amending Directive 93/12/EEC (OJ L 121, 11.5.1999, p. 13).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by an Advisory Committee made up of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'

26. Decision No 1295/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 1999 adopting a programme of Community action on rare diseases within the framework for action in the field of public health (1999 to 2003) (OJ L 155, 22.6.1999, p. 1).

Article 5(3) is replaced by the following:

*'(3) In addition, the Commission may consult the Committee on any other matter concerning the implementation of the programme. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the advisory procedure laid down in Article 3 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.'*



## ANNEX II

## MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE

**List of amended instruments:**

1. Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 of 29 February 1988 on the organisation of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings between 1988 and 1997 (OJ L 56, 2.3.1988, p. 1).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Articles 7 and 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'
2. Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom of 13 February 1989 on the harmonisation of the compilation of gross national product at market prices (OJ L 49, 21.2.1989, p. 26).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Articles 7 and 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'
3. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89 of 29 May 1989 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks (OJ L 160, 12.6.1989, p. 1).

Articles 13 and 14 are replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

The Commission shall be assisted by an Implementation Committee for Spirit Drinks, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

*Article 14*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

4. Council Regulation (Euratom, EEC) No 1588/90 of 11 June 1990 on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities (OJ L 151, 15.6.1990, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*Article 7*

1. A Committee on Statistical Confidentiality, hereinafter referred to as "the committee", is hereby set up, composed of the representatives of all the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission (the director general of the SOEC or a person appointed by him).
  2. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken referred to in Article 4(3) and Article 5(3). The management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
  4. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.'
5. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 of 9 October 1990 on the statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community (OJ L 293, 24.10.1990, p. 1).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*Article 9*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  2. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'
6. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 of 10 June 1991 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of aromatized wines, aromatized wine-based drinks and aromatized wine-product cocktails (OJ L 149, 14.6.1991, p. 1).

Articles 12 and 13 are replaced by the following:

*Article 12*

An Implementation Committee for the drinks referred to in this Regulation, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", is hereby set up, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

*Article 13*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

7. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/91 of 7 November 1991 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States (OJ L 316, 16.11.1991, p. 1).

Article 30 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 30*

1. The provisions necessary for the application of this Regulation shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraphs 2 and 3.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month at the most.'

8. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 of 19 December 1991 on the establishment of a Community survey of industrial production (OJ L 374, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

9. Council Directive 91/692/EEC of 23 December 1991 standardising and rationalising reports on the implementation of certain Directives relating to the environment (OJ L 377, 31.12.1991, p. 48).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

10. Council Directive 92/51/EEC of 18 June 1992 on a second general system for the recognition of professional education and training to supplement Directive 89/48/EEC (OJ L 209, 24.7.1992, p. 25).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. The lists of education and training courses set out in Annexes C and D may be amended on the basis of a reasoned request from any Member State concerned to the Commission. All appropriate information and in particular the text of the relevant provisions of national law shall accompany the request. The Member State making the request shall also inform the other Member States.
2. The Commission shall examine the education and training course in question and those required in the other Member States. It shall verify in particular whether the qualification resulting from the course in question confers on the holder: — a level of professional education or training of a comparably high level to that of the post-secondary course referred to in point (i) of the second indent of the first subparagraph of Article 1(a), and — a similar level of responsibility and activity.

3. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
  4. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  5. The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.
  6. The Commission shall inform the Member State concerned of the decision and shall, where appropriate, publish the amended list in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.
  7. The amendments made to the lists of education and training courses in Annexes C and D on the basis of the procedure laid down above are immediately applicable on the date set by the Commission.'
11. Council Directive 92/109/EEC of 14 December 1992 on the manufacture and the placing on the market of certain substances used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances (OJ L 370, 19.12.1992, p. 76).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee set up by Article 10 of Regulation (EEC) No 3677/90. The committee shall examine any matter concerning the implementation of this Directive raised by its chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of a representative of a Member State.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
  4. The procedure laid down in paragraph 2 shall be followed in particular for:
    - (a) the determination, where appropriate, of the conditions relating to the documentation and labelling of mixtures and preparations of substances in category 2 of Annex I as provided for in Article 2;
    - (b) the amendment of the Annexes to this Directive, in cases where the tables of the Annex to the United Nations Convention are amended;
    - (c) the amendment of the thresholds specified in Annex II.'
12. Council Regulation (EEC) No 696/93 of 15 March 1993 on the statistical units for the observation and analysis of the production system in the Community (OJ L 76, 30.3.1993, p. 1).

Article 7(2) and (3) is replaced by the following:

- '2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

13. Council Directive 93/15/EEC of 5 April 1993 on the harmonisation of the provisions relating to the placing on the market and supervision of explosives for civil uses (OJ L 121, 15.5.1993, p. 20).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*Article 13*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. The committee shall examine any matter concerning the implementation of this Directive raised by its chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of a representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.

4. The procedure laid down in paragraph 2 shall be followed in particular to take account of any future amendments to the United Nations recommendations.'

14. Council Directive 93/16/EEC of 5 April 1993 to facilitate the free movement of doctors and the mutual recognition of their diplomas, certificates and other evidence of formal qualifications (OJ L 165, 7.7.1993, p. 1).

Article 44a(3) is replaced by the following:

'3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

15. Council Regulation (EEC) No 2186/93 of 22 July 1993 on Community coordination in drawing up business registers for statistical purposes (OJ L 196, 5.8.1993, p. 1).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee established under Decision 89/382/EC, Euratom, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

16. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93 of 29 October 1993 on the statistical classification of products by activity (CPA) in the European Economic Community (OJ L 342, 31.12.1993, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

2. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

17. Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 of 22 May 1995 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries (OJ L 118, 25.5.1995, p. 10).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Articles 7 and 8 thereof.

2. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

18. Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (OJ L 281, 23.11.1995, p. 31).

Article 31 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 31*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

19. Council Directive 95/57/EC of 23 November 1995 on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism (OJ L 291, 6.12.1995, p. 32).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

20. Council Directive 95/64/EC of 8 December 1995 on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea (OJ L 320, 30.12.1995, p. 25).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee established under Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

21. Council Regulation (EC) No 788/96 of 22 April 1996 on the submission by Member States of statistics on aquaculture production (OJ L 108, 1.5.1996, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Articles 7 and 8 thereof.
3. The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

22. Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/96 of 20 June 1996 concerning humanitarian aid (OJ L 163, 2.7.1996, p. 1).

Article 17(2) and (3) is replaced by the following:

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

23. Council Regulation (EC) No 1292/96 of 27 June 1996 on food-aid policy and food-aid management and special operations in support of food security (OJ L 166, 5.7.1996, p. 1).

Article 27 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 27*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

2. The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

24. Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997 on Community Statistics (OJ L 52, 22.2.1997, p. 1).

Article 20(2) and (3) is replaced by the following:

'2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

25. Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 1998 concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market (OJ L 123, 24.4.1998, p. 1).

Article 28(1) and (2) is replaced by the following:

'1. The Commission shall be assisted by a Standing Committee on Biocidal Products, hereinafter referred to as the "Standing Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission. The Standing Committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.

2. For matters referred to the Standing Committee by virtue of Articles 4, 11(3), 15, 17, 18, 19, 27(1)(b), 29 and 33 and the elaboration of specific data by product type referred to in Annex V, to be drawn from Annexes IIIA and IIIB and, as appropriate, from Annexes IVA and IVB, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

26. Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/98 of 25 May 1998 on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road (OJ L 163, 6.6.1998, p. 1).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

27. Council Regulation (EC) No 1658/98 of 17 July 1998 on cofinancing operations with European non-governmental development organisations (NGOs) in fields of interest to the developing countries (OJ L 213, 30.7.1998, p. 1).

Articles 9 and 10 are replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the Commission shall be assisted by the Committee set up under Article 8.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.

*Article 10*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the Commission shall be assisted by the Committee set up under Article 8.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month at the most.'

28. Council Regulation (EC) No 1659/98 of 17 July 1998 on decentralised cooperation (OJ L 213, 30.7.1998, p. 6).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

29. Council Directive 98/83/EC of 3 November 1998 on the quality of water intended for human consumption (OJ L 330, 5.12.1998, p. 32).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

30. Council Regulation (EC) No 2836/98 of 22 December 1998 on integrating of gender issues in development cooperation (OJ L 354, 30.12.1998, p. 5).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically determined Committee competent for development.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

31. Decision No 372/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 February 1999 adopting a programme of Community action on injury prevention in the framework for action in the field of public health (1999 to 2003) (OJ L 46, 20.2.1999, p. 1).

Article 5(2) is replaced by the following:

'(2) The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken concerning:

(a) the Committee's rules of procedure;

(b) an annual work programme indicating the priorities for action;

(c) the arrangements, procedures and specifications regarding content and finance necessary to ensure the implementation of the Community system set out in Part A of the Annex, including those relating to the participation of the countries referred to in Article 6(2);



- (d) the arrangements, criteria and procedures for selecting and financing projects for the implementation of the specific action set out in Part B of the Annex, including those involving cooperation with international organisations competent in the sphere of public health and participation of the countries referred to in Article 6(2);
- (e) follow-up and evaluation procedure;
- (f) the procedures for coordination with programmes and initiatives which are of direct relevance to achievement of the aim of this programme;
- (g) the arrangements for cooperating with the institutions and organisations referred to in Article 2(2).

Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

32. Council Decision 1999/382/EC of 26 April 1999 establishing the second phase of the Community vocational training action programme 'Leonardo da Vinci' (OJ L 146, 11.6.1999, p. 33).

Article 7(3) and (4) is replaced by the following:

'(3) As regards the points referred to in paragraph 2, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

(4) The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

33. Council Decision 1999/297/EC of 26 April 1999 establishing a Community statistical information infrastructure relating to the industry and markets of the audiovisual and related sectors (OJ L 117, 5.5.1999, p. 39).

Article 4 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 4*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

34. Decision No 1295/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 1999 adopting a programme of Community action on rare diseases within the framework for action in the field of public health (1999 to 2003) (OJ L 155, 22.6.1999, p. 1).

Article 5(2) is replaced by the following:

'(2) The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken concerning:

- (a) the Committee's rules of procedure;
- (b) an annual work programme indicating the priorities for action;
- (c) the arrangements, criteria and procedures for selecting and financing projects under this programme, including those involving cooperation with international organisations competent in the sphere of public health and participation of the countries referred to in Article 6(2);
- (d) the evaluation procedure;
- (e) the arrangements for dissemination and transfer of results;
- (f) the procedures for coordination with programmes and initiatives which are of direct relevance to achievement of the aim of this programme;
- (g) the arrangements for cooperating with the institutions and organisations referred to in Article 2(2).

Where reference is made to this paragraph, the management procedure laid down in Article 4 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

The period referred to in Article 4(3) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

## ANNEX III

## REGULATORY PROCEDURE

**List of amended instruments:**

1. Council Directive 75/442/EEC of 15 July 1975 on waste (OJ L 194, 25.7.1975, p. 47).

Article 18 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 18*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'
2. Council Regulation (EEC) No 357/79 of 5 February 1979 on statistical surveys of areas under vines (OJ L 54, 5.3.1979, p. 124).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
  2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
  3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'
3. First Council Directive 79/267/EEC of 5 March 1979 on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of direct life assurance (OJ L 63, 13.3.1979, p. 1).

Article 32b(6) is replaced by the following:

'(6) The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be fixed in each act to be adopted by the Council in accordance with this paragraph, but may under no circumstances exceed three months.'

4. Council Directive 79/279/EEC of 5 March 1979 coordinating the conditions for the admission of securities to official stock exchange listing (OJ L 66, 16.3.1979, p. 21).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. For the purpose of adjusting, in the light of the requirements of the economic situation, the minimum amount of the foreseeable market capitalisation laid down in the first paragraph of I(2) of schedule A, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

5. Council Directive 85/591/EEC of 20 December 1985 concerning the introduction of Community methods of sampling and analysis for the monitoring of foodstuffs intended for human consumption (OJ L 372, 31.12.1985, p. 50).

Article 4 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 4*

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs set up by Decision 69/414/EEC <sup>(1)</sup>, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

6. Council Regulation (EC) No 3821/85 of 20 December 1985 on recording equipment in road transport (OJ L 370, 31.12.1985, p. 8).

Article 18 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 18*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

7. Council Directive 88/320/EEC of 9 June 1988 on the inspection and verification of Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) (OJ L 145, 11.6.1988, p. 35).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

8. Council Directive 88/344/EEC of 13 June 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States on extraction solvents used in the production of foodstuffs and food ingredients (OJ L 157, 24.6.1988, p. 28).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

9. Council Directive 88/388/EEC of 22 June 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to flavourings for use in foodstuffs and to source materials for their production (OJ L 184, 15.7.1988, p. 61).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

10. Council Directive 89/106/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to construction products (OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 12).

Article 20 is replaced by the following:

*Article 20*

1. The committee referred to in Article 19 may, at the request of its chairman or a Member State, examine any question posed by the implementation and the practical application of this Directive.

2. The provisions necessary for:

(a) the establishment of classes of requirements in so far as they are not included in the interpretative documents and the establishment of the procedure for attesting conformity in mandates for standards pursuant to Article 7(1) and guidelines for approvals pursuant to Article 11(1);

(b) the giving of instructions for the drawing-up of interpretative documents pursuant to Article 12(1) and decisions on interpretative documents pursuant to Article 12(3);

(c) the recognition of national technical specifications in accordance with Article 4(3); shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraphs 3 and 4.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

11. Council Directive 89/107/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning food additives authorised for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 27).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*Article 11*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

12. Council Directive 89/108/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to quick-frozen foodstuffs for human consumption (OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 34).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*Article 12*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

13. Council Directive 89/109/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs (OJ L 40, 11.2.1989, p. 38).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

14. Council Directive 89/398/EEC of 3 May 1989 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to foodstuffs intended for particular nutritional uses (OJ L 186, 30.6.1989, p. 27).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

15. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89 of 29 May 1989 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of spirit drinks (OJ L 160, 12.6.1989, p. 1).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

16. Council Directive 89/391/EEC of 12 June 1989 on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work (OJ L 183, 29.6.1989, p. 1).

Article 17 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 17*

1. For the purely technical adjustments to the individual Directives provided for in Article 16(1) to take account of:
  - the adoption of Directives in the field of technical harmonisation and standardisation, and/or
  - technical progress, changes in international regulations or specifications, and new findings, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

17. Council Regulation (EEC) No 837/90 of 26 March 1990 concerning statistical information to be supplied by the Member States on cereals production (OJ L 88, 3.4.1990, p. 1).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 11*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

18. Council Directive 90/219/EEC of 23 April 1990 on the contained use of genetically modified micro-organisms (OJ L 117, 8.5.1990, p. 1).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

19. Council Directive 90/220/EEC of 23 April 1990 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms (OJ L 117, 8.5.1990, p. 15).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
4. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.'

20. Council Directive 90/496/EEC of 24 September 1990 on nutrition labelling of foodstuffs (OJ L 276, 6.10.1990, p. 40).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs set up by Decision 69/414/EEC <sup>(2)</sup>, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

21. Council Directive 91/271/EEC of 21 May 1991 concerning urban waste-water treatment (OJ L 135, 30.5.1991, p. 40).

Article 18 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 18*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

22. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1382/91 of 21 May 1991 on the submission of data on the landings of fishery products in Member States (OJ L 133, 28.5.1991, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

23. Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 of 10 June 1991 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of aromatized wines, aromatized wine-based drinks and aromatized wine-product cocktails (OJ L 149, 14.6.1991, p. 1).

Article 14 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 14*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the chairman shall refer the matter to the committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

24. Council Directive 91/439/EEC of 29 July 1991 on driving licences (OJ L 237, 24.8.1991, p. 1).

Article 7b is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7b*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee on driving licences, hereinafter referred to as "the committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

25. Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

Article 9 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 9*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

26. Council Directive 91/672/EEC of 16 December 1991 on the reciprocal recognition of national boatmasters' certificates for the carriage of goods and passengers by inland waterway (OJ L 373, 31.12.1991, p. 29).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. In the implementation of Article 4, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

27. Council Directive 91/675/EEC of 19 December 1991 setting up an insurance committee (OJ L 374, 31.12.1991, p. 32).

Article 2 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 2*

1. Where the Council, in the acts which it adopts in the field of direct non-life insurance and direct life assurance, confers on the Commission powers for the implementation of the rules which it lays down, the procedure set out in paragraph 2 shall apply.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

28. Council Regulation (EEC) No 3925/91 of 19 December 1991 concerning the elimination of controls and formalities applicable to the cabin and hold baggage of persons taking an intra-Community flight and the baggage of persons making an intra-Community sea crossing (OJ L 374, 31.12.1991, p. 4).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The provisions necessary for the application of this Regulation shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraphs 2 and 3.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'



29. Council Directive 92/29/EEC of 31 March 1992 on the minimum safety and health requirements for improved medical treatment on board vessels (OJ L 113, 30.4.1992, p. 19).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. With a view to the strictly technical adaptation of the Annexes to this Directive in the light of technical progress or changes in international regulations or specifications and new findings in this field, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

30. Council Directive 92/32/EEC of 30 April 1992 amending for the seventh time Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances (OJ L 154, 5.6.1992, p. 1).

Article 29 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 29*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months except for the case referred to in Article 31(2) where it shall be six weeks.'

31. Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

32. Council Directive 92/59/EEC of 29 June 1992 on general product safety (OJ L 228, 11.8.1992, p. 24).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 11*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be 15 days.
3. Any measure adopted under this procedure shall be valid for no longer than three months. That period may be prolonged under the same procedure.
4. Member States shall take all necessary measures to implement the decisions adopted under this procedures within less than 10 days.
5. The competent authorities of the Member States responsible for carrying out measures adopted under this procedures shall, within one month, give the parties concerned an opportunity to submit their views and shall inform the Commission accordingly.'

33. Council Directive 92/75/EEC of 22 September 1992 on the indication by labelling and standard product information of the consumption of energy and other resources by household appliances (OJ L 297, 13.10.1992, p. 16).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission in the adoption of the measures referred to in this Directive, and particularly in Article 9.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

34. Council Decision 92/578/EEC of 30 November 1992 concerning the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation on the carriage of goods by road and rail (OJ L 373, 21.12.1992, p. 26).

Article 4 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 4*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be four weeks.'

35. Council Regulation (EEC) No 315/93 of 8 February 1993 laying down Community procedures for contaminants in food (OJ L 37, 13.2.1993, p. 1).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

36. Council Directive 93/5/EEC of 25 February 1993 on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food (OJ L 52, 4.3.1993, p. 18).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, set up by Council Decision 69/414/EEC<sup>(5)</sup>, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

37. Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 of 23 March 1993 on the evaluation and control of the risks of existing substances (OJ L 84, 5.4.1993, p. 1).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period referred to in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be two months.'

38. Council Regulation (EEC) No 959/93 of 5 April 1993 concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals (OJ L 98, 24.4.1993, p. 1).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

39. Council Directive 93/23/EEC of 1 June 1993 on the statistical surveys to be carried out on pig production (OJ L 149, 21.6.1993, p. 1).

Article 17 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 17*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

40. Council Directive 93/24/EEC of 1 June 1993 on the statistical surveys to be carried out on bovine animal production (OJ L 149, 21.6.1993, p. 5).

Article 17 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 17*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

41. Council Directive 93/25/EEC of 1 June 1993 on the statistical surveys to be carried out on sheep and goat stocks (OJ L 149, 21.6.1993, p. 10).

Article 20 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 20*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

42. Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 concerning medical devices (OJ L 169, 12.7.1993, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee set up by Article 6(2) of Directive 90/385/EEC.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.

4. The Committee may examine any issue linked with the application of this Directive.'

43. Council Directive 93/43/EEC of 14 June 1993 on the hygiene of foodstuffs (OJ L 175, 19.7.1993, p. 1).

Article 14 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 14*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

44. Council Decision 93/389/EEC of 24 June 1993 for a monitoring mechanism of Community CO<sub>2</sub> and other greenhouse gas emissions (OJ L 167, 9.7.1993, p. 31).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

45. Council Regulation (EEC) No 2018/93 of 30 June 1993 on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the Northwest Atlantic (OJ L 186, 28.7.1993, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

46. Council Directive 93/65/EEC of 19 July 1993 on the definition and use of compatible technical specifications for the procurement of air traffic management equipment and systems (OJ L 187, 29.7.1993, p. 52).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

47. Council Directive 93/77/EEC of 21 September 1993 on fruit juices and certain similar products (OJ L 244, 30.9.1993, p. 23).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee". The matter shall be referred without delay to the Committee by its chairman, either on his own initiative or at the request of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

48. Council Directive 93/99/EEC of 29 October 1993 on the subject of additional measures concerning the official control of foodstuffs (OJ L 290, 24.11.1993, p. 14).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. Where reference is made to the procedure laid down in this Article, the Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, set up under Decision 69/414/EEC (8), hereinafter referred to as the "Committee".
2. The Chairman shall refer the matter to the Committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

49. Directive 94/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 June 1994 on colours for use in foodstuffs (OJ L 237, 10.9.1994, p. 13).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is to be followed, the Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, set up by Decision 69/414/EEC (1), hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".
2. The Chairman shall refer the matter to the Committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

50. Council Regulation (EC) No 1734/94 of 11 July 1994 on financial and technical cooperation with the Occupied Territories (OJ L 182, 16.7.1994, p. 4).

Article 5(2) and (3) is replaced by the following:

'2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

51. Council Directive 94/67/EEC of 16 December 1994 on the incineration of hazardous waste (OJ L 365, 31.12.1994, p. 34).

Article 16 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 16*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a regulatory committee, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee".
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
4. The Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.'

52. Directive 94/62/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 1994 on packaging and packaging waste (OJ L 365, 31.12.1994, p. 10).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

53. Directive 94/63/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 1994 on the control of volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions resulting from the storage of petrol and its distribution from terminals to service stations (OJ L 365, 31.12.1994, p. 24).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

54. Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995 concerning harmonised indices of consumer prices (OJ L 257, 27.10.1995, p. 1).

Article 14 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 14*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

55. Council Regulation (EC) No 2597/95 of 23 October 1995 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic (OJ L 270, 13.11.1995, p. 1).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

56. Council Regulation (EC) No 213/96 of 29 January 1996 on the implementation of the European Communities investment partners financial instrument for the countries of Latin America, Asia, the Mediterranean region and South Africa (OJ L 28, 6.2.1996, p. 2).

Article 9(4) is replaced by the following:

*'4. With regard to the matters mentioned in paragraph 3, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'*

57. Council Directive 96/16/EC of 19 March 1996 on statistical surveys of milk and milk products (OJ L 78, 28.3.1996, p. 27).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics composed of representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

58. Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/96 of 20 June 1996 concerning humanitarian aid (OJ L 163, 2.7.1996, p. 1).

Article 17(1) and (2) is replaced by the following:

*'1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.*

*2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'*

59. Council Directive 96/48/EC of 23 July 1996 on the interoperability of the trans-European high-speed rail system (OJ L 235, 17.9.1996, p. 6).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
4. The Committee may discuss any matter concerning the interoperability of the trans-European high-speed rail system.
5. Should it prove necessary, the Committee may set up working parties to aid it in carrying out its tasks, in particular with a view to coordinating the notified bodies.
6. The Committee shall be set up as soon as this Directive enters into force.'

60. Council Directive 96/61/EC of 24 September 1996 concerning integrated pollution prevention and control (OJ L 257, 10.10.1996, p. 26).

Article 19 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 19*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

61. Council Directive 96/62/EC of 27 September 1996 on ambient air quality assessment and management (OJ L 296, 21.11.1996, p. 55).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. The amendments necessary to adapt the criteria and techniques referred to in Article 4(2) to scientific and technical progress, and the detailed arrangements for forwarding the information to be provided under Article 11, and other tasks specified in the provisions referred to in Article 4(3), shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 2 of this Article. Such adaptation must not have the effect of modifying the limit values or the alert thresholds either directly or indirectly.
2. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

62. Regulation (EC) No 2232/96 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 October 1996 laying down a Community procedure for flavouring substances used or intended for use in or on foodstuffs (OJ L 299, 23.11.1996, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".



2. Matters shall be referred to the Committee by its chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

Article 8 is repealed.

63. Council Regulation (EC) No 2258/96 of 22 November 1996 on rehabilitation and reconstruction operations in developing countries (OJ L 306, 28.11.1996, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the relevant geographical committee.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

64. Council Directive 96/82/EC of 9 December 1996 on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances (OJ L 10, 14.1.1997, p. 13).

Article 22 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 22*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

65. Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97 of 9 December 1996 on the protection of species of wild fauna and flora by regulating trade therein (OJ L 61, 3.3.1997, p. 1).

Article 18 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 18*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months. As regards the Committee's tasks referred to in points 1 and 2 of Article 19, if, on the expiry of a period of three months from the date of referral to the Council, the Council has not acted, the proposed measures shall be adopted by the Commission.'

66. Directive 96/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 on certain methods for the quantitative analysis of binary textile fibre mixtures (OJ L 32, 3.2.1997, p. 1).

Article 6 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. Where the procedure laid down in this Article is invoked, the chairman shall refer the matter to the committee either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

67. Council Directive 96/96/EC of 20 December 1996 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to roadworthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers (OJ L 46, 17.2.1997, p. 1).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee on the adaptation to technical progress of the Directive on roadworthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. The committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

68. Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996 concerning structural business statistics (OJ L 14, 17.1.1997, p. 7).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee instituted by Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

69. Regulation (EC) No 258/97 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 1997 concerning novel foods and novel food ingredients (OJ L 43, 14.2.1997, p. 1).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. Where the procedure defined in this Article is to be implemented, the Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee".

2. Matters shall be referred to the Committee by its chairman either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

70. Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997 on Community Statistics (OJ L 52, 22.2.1997, p. 1).

Article 19 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 19*

1. In the case referred to in Article 3(2)(b), the Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

71. Council Regulation (EC) No 550/97 of 24 March 1997 on HIV/AIDS-related operations in developing countries (OJ L 85, 27.3.1997, p. 1).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

72. Decision No 1336/97/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 June 1997 on a series of guidelines for trans-European telecommunications networks (OJ L 183, 11.7.1997, p. 12).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be responsible for the implementation of this Decision.
2. In the cases referred to in Article 9(1), the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

73. Council Regulation (EC) No 1484/97 of 22 July 1997 on aid for population policies and programmes in the developing countries (OJ L 202, 30.7.1997, p. 1).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 11*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
4. An exchange of views shall take place once a year on the basis of a presentation by the representative of the Commission of the general guidelines for the operations to be carried out in the year ahead, in the framework of a joint meeting of the committees pursuant to paragraph 1.'

74. Council Regulation (EC) No 2046/97 of 13 October 1997 on north-south cooperation in the campaign against drugs and drug addiction (OJ L 287, 21.10.1997, p. 1).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.

4. An exchange of views shall take place once a year on the basis of a presentation by the representative of the Commission of the general guidelines for the operations to be carried out in the year ahead, in the framework of a joint meeting of the committees pursuant to paragraph 1.'

75. Directive 97/67/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 1997 on common rules for the development of the internal market of Community postal services and the improvement of quality of service (OJ L 15, 21.1.1998, p. 14).

Article 21 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 21*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by a representative of the Commission. The Committee shall draw up its rules of procedure.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

76. Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 1998 concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market (OJ L 123, 24.4.1998, p. 1).

Article 28(3) and (4) is replaced by the following:

'3. For matters referred to the Standing Committee by virtue of Articles 10, 11(4), 16, 27(1)(a) and (2), and 32, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

77. Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA) (OJ L 58, 27.2.1998, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

78. Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 of 19 May 1998 concerning short-term statistics (OJ L 162, 5.6.1998, p. 1).

Article 18 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 18*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

79. Decision No 2119/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 1998 setting up a network for the epidemiological surveillance and control of communicable diseases in the Community (OJ L 268, 3.10.1998, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. For the purposes of implementing this Decision, the Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

80. Directive 98/70/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 1998 relating to the quality of petrol and diesel fuels and amending Council Directive 93/12/EEC (OJ L 350, 28.12.1998, p. 58).

Article 11 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 11*

1. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
2. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

81. Directive 98/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 1998 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices (OJ L 331, 7.12.1998, p. 1).

Article 7 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 7*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the committee set up by Article 6(2) of Directive 90/385/EEC, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.
4. The committee referred to in paragraph 1 may examine any question connected with the implementation of this Directive.'

82. Council Regulation (EC) No 2836/98 of 22 December 1998 on integrating of gender issues in development cooperation (OJ L 354, 30.12.1998, p. 5).

Article 8 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically determined Committee competent for development.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.'

83. Decision No 276/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 January 1999 adopting a multi-annual Community action plan on promoting safer use of the Internet by combating illegal and harmful content on global networks (OJ L 33, 6.2.1999, p. 1).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

84. Directive 1999/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 February 1999 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning foods and food ingredients treated with ionising radiation (OJ L 66, 13.3.1999, p. 16).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. Where the procedure defined in this Article is to be followed, the Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission. The Chairman shall, without delay, refer the matter to the Committee, either on his own initiative or at the request of the representative of a Member State.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

85. Directive 1999/4/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 February 1999 relating to coffee extracts and chicory extracts (OJ L 66, 13.3.1999, p. 26).

Article 5 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 5*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Standing Committee on Foodstuffs, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

86. Directive 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 1999 on radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity (OJ L 91, 7.4.1999, p. 10).

Article 15 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 15*

1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 14, the following procedure shall apply in respect of the matters covered by Articles 3(3) and 4(1).
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

87. Council Regulation (EC) No 530/1999 of 9 March 1999 concerning structural statistics on earnings and on labour costs (OJ L 63, 12.3.1999, p. 6).

Article 12 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 12*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Statistical Programme Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee") composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

88. Council Regulation (EC) No 856/1999 of 22 April 1999 establishing a special framework of assistance for traditional ACP suppliers of bananas (OJ L 108, 27.4.1999, p. 2).

Article 6 and article 8 are replaced by the following:

*'Article 6*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be one month.

*Article 8*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the geographically-determined committee competent for development, composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

89. Council Directive 1999/31/EC of 26 April 1999 on the landfill of waste (OJ L 182, 16.7.1999, p. 1).

Article 17 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 17*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.
2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.
3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

90. Council Regulation (EC) No 975/1999 of 29 April 1999 laying down the requirements for the implementation of development cooperation operations which contribute to the general objective of developing and consolidating democracy and the rule of law and to that of respecting human rights and fundamental freedoms (OJ L 120, 8.5.1999, p. 1).

Article 13 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 13*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a Human Rights and Democracy Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee") composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

91. Directive 1999/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 1999 concerning the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous preparations (OJ L 200, 30.7.1999, p. 1).

Article 20 is replaced by the following:

*Article 20*

1. Amendments required to adapt the Annexes to this Directive to technical progress shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 29(4)(a) of Directive 67/548/EEC.

2. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

3. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

4. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

92. Directive 1999/94/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 1999 relating to the availability of consumer information on fuel economy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in respect of the marketing of new passenger cars (OJ L 12, 18.1.2000, p. 16).

Article 10 is replaced by the following:

*Article 10*

1. The Commission shall be assisted by a committee composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

2. Where reference is made to this paragraph, the regulatory procedure laid down in Article 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply, in compliance with Article 7 and Article 8 thereof.

3. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be three months.'

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