COMMISSION DECISION

of 6 March 1998

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

(Only the German text is authentic)

(98/221/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

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

Whereas the request submitted by Germany on 25 April 1997, which was received by the Commission on 5 May 1997, contained the information required by Article 8(2)(c); whereas the request concerns the installation of a spray-suppression system in a category N_3 type of vehicle;

Whereas the reasons set out in the request, according to which such spray-suppression systems, and the installation of the same, do not meet the requirements of the relevant Directives, in particular Council Directive 91/226/EEC of 27 March 1991 relating to the spray-suppression systems of certain categories of motor vehicles and their trailers [3], are well-founded;

Whereas the Community Directive concerned will be amended in order to permit the production and installation of such spray-suppression systems;

Whereas the measure provided for in this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on Adaptation to Technical Progress set up by Directive 70/156/EEC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The request submitted by Germany for an exemption concerning the installation of a spray-suppression system in a category N_3 type of motor vehicle is hereby approved.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 6 March 1998.

For the Commission
Martin BANGEMANN
Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 42, 23. 2. 1970, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 233, 25. 8. 1997, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 103, 23. 4. 1991, p. 5.