COMMISSION DECISION

of 24 November 1999

on the implementation of Council Decision 1999/297/EC establishing a Community statistical information infrastructure relating to the industry and markets of the audiovisual and related sectors

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(1999/841/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to 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 [1] and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Decision 1999/297/EC determined the individual statistical actions necessary in order to establish a Community statistical information infrastructure relating to the industry and markets of the audiovisual and related sectors;

(2) It is necessary to adopt measures for the implementation of individual statistical actions;

(3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Statistical Programme Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The measures to implement individual actions referred to in Article 2 of Decision 1999/297/EC are specified in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 November 1999.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 117, 5.5.1999, p. 39.

ANNEX

A. **Measures to implement actions to be undertaken by the national authorities**

Reference in the Council Decision 1999/297/EC		Description of the measure	Date scheduled for completing the measure
Article 2(1)(a)	1	Studies by each Member State of priorities concerning national user needs for statistics. The domains to be studied should be those in the Auvis classification plan [1]	June 2000
Article 2(1)(b)	2	Update of the existing inventory by each Member State of national statistics and sources	December 2000
Article 2(1)(c)	3	Optionally, development of the network of contacts between the Member States and main data producers by means of workshops held in volunteer Member States	September 2000
	4	Forwarding to Eurostat by each Member State during 2000 of a questionnaire on audiovisual statistics (firms, functions and products) already on hand or available from the competent national authorities. The questionnaire, which is based on the Auvis classification plan, will be sent to Member States in the second quarter of the year 2000	September 2000

[1] The Auvis classification plan covers the following markets:

— Audiovisual production market;
— Audiovisual distribution market;
— Cinema exhibition market;
— Video market;
— Television market;
— Sound recording production and publishing market;
— Consumer sound recordings market;
— Radio market;
— 'Bouquets' of programme services market;
— Cable operating market;
— Radio and TV signal market;
— Satellite (broadcasting) trnasmission market;

In addition, technological developments may require a 'New media' market category.

B. **Measures to implement actions to be undertaken by Eurostat**

Reference in the Council Decision 1999/297/EC		Description of the measure	Date scheduled for completing the measure
Article 2(2)(a)	1	Updating of the chapter specific to audiovisual services in the Eurostat Manual of Business Statistics	March 2000
	2	Updating and publication, via the web, of the general methodological manual on audiovisual statistics	December 2000
	3	Methodological studies on specific topics selected from within the following broad areas: — structural business statistics for enterprises of the audiovisual and related sectors; — statistics on selected sub-sectors such as film production, TV and radio; — selected topics such as internationl trade in servides of the audiovisual and related sectors, international co-productions, new media	September 2001

Reference in the Council Decision 1999/297/EC		Description of the measure	Date scheduled for completing the measure
Article 2(2)(b)	4	Processing of the data received from the 1999 questionnaire to Member States, and making the results available in Eurostat's dissemination database, and via publications	December 1999
	5	Participation in workshops held in volunteer Member States for the development of the network of contacts between the Member States and main data producers	September 2000
	6	Processing the data received from the 2000 questionnaire to Member States, and making the results available in Eurostat's dissemination database, and via publications	December 2000
	7	Adaptation of an existing Eurostat computerised system to receive, validate, transform and store statistics gathered from Member States and international organisations	June 2001
Article 2(2)(c)	8	Comparison of existing statistical systems in Member States with a view to improved harmonisation	June 2001
Article 2(2)(d)	9	Study of the priorities concerning needs for statistics by the Commission's services	November 1999
	10	Study of the priorities concerning needs for statistics by international organisations working in the field	March 2000