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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 626/95

of 20 March 1995

introducing special and temporary measures applicable to the recruitment of officials of the European Communities as a result of the accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing a single Council and a single Commission of the European Communities, and in particular Article 24 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission, made after consulting the Staff Regulations Committee,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament [1],

Having regard to the opinion of the Court of Justice [2],

Having regard to the opinion of the Court of Auditors [3],

Whereas, as a result of the accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden, special measures derogating from the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Communities should be adopted on a temporary basis,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Notwithstanding the second and third paragraphs of Article 4, Article 5 (3), Article 7 (1), the third paragraph of Article 27, Article 29 (1) (a), (b) and (c) and Article 31 of the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Communities, provision may be made until 31 December 1999 for vacant posts to be filled by Austrian, Finnish and Swedish nationals up to the limits set in the context of budgetary discussions within the institutions responsible.

2. Appointments to grades A 3, A 4, A 5, A 6, A 7, A 8, LA 3, LA 4, LA 5, LA 6, LA 7, LA 8, B 1, B 2, B 3, B 4, B 5, C 1, C 2 to C 5 and D 1 to D 4 shall be made after a competition based on qualifications and tests, organized in accordance with Annex III to the Staff Regulations.

3. Vacant posts shall be adequately advertised both inside and outside the Community institutions.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 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.

Done at Brussels, 20 March 1995.

For the Council

The President

E. ALPHANDÉRY

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[1] OJ No C 18, 23. 1. 1995.
[2] Opinion delivered on 13 December 1994.
[3] Opinion delivered on 15 December 1994.