EC/Cyprus Framework Agreement: participation in Community programmes

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PURPOSE : to conclude an Agreement between the EC and Cyprus establishing the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Cyprus in Community programmes. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Decision 2002/78/EC concerning the conclusion of a Framework Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Cyprus on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Cyprus in Community programmes. CONTENT : the Council adopted the Decision concerning the conclusion of Framework Agreement between the European Community and Cyprus on the general principles for the participation of this country in Community programmes. The terms of the proposed draft framework agreement for Cyprus are: - the programmes concerned will allow for the participation of candidate countries from Central and Eastern Europe; - Cyprus will pay an annual contribution to the programmes, to be determined between the Commission and Cypriot government; - the Commission will be assisted by a special committee appointed by the Council; - the contribution made will not be reimbursed to Cyprus if at the end of the year, the results fall short of the contribution paid; - representatives from Cyprus will be invited to attend meetings of the Programme Committees as observers; - projects and initiatives submitted by Cyprus shall be subject to the same conditions, rules and procedures pertaining to the programmes concerned as are applied to Member States, regarding in particular the submission, assessment and selection of applications and projects; - the Framework Agreement will apply for an unspecified period, subject to a classical clause of denunciation. Specific duration of participation in programmes will be determined in the terms and conditions concluded between the Commission and the Government of Cyprus. No later than 3 years after the date of entry into force of the Agreement and every 3 years thereafter, the Commission shall review the implementation of the Agreement and report thereon to the Council. ENTRY INTO FORCE : the date of entry into force of the Agreement will be published in the Official Journal of the European Communities by the Secretariat General of the Council.