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OBJECTIVE: To lay down the rules for the Community's new approach in the field of radio frequencies. CONTENTS: 1. This proposal for a decision lays down the rules contained in the new approach to the coordination of radio frequencies in the Community. This approach is based on the idea that in the case of radio frequencies the adoption of Community legislation is not dictated by Community interests, insofar as the action taken by the competent international organisations meets the needs of the Community and its Member States. 2. However, the Commission may take initiatives to secure the involvement of the Community, commensurate with its powers and responsibilities, in the international organisations dealing with radio communications. The Member States are called on to support the Commission whenever it takes such initiatives. 3. Every year the Council adopts a work programme containing guidelines on the positions to be adopted by Member States within the framework of the international organisations responsible for radio frequency allocation (the European Radiocommunications Committee and the European Radiocommunications Office). 4. Measures adopted within those organisations and corresponding to the guidelines in the Council work programme must be implemented by Member States by a specified deadline. The procedure for implementing those measures is decided by the Commission, assisted by the Community Telecommunications Committee. Subsequently, the Member States notify the Commission of the measures which they have adopted at national level. The Commission then publishes these measures in the Official Journal of the European Communities. 5. The Commission may call on the European Radiocommunications Committee and the European Radiocommunications Office to undertake certain technical tasks (for example, the identification and allocation of the appropriate frequency bands required by the Community for the development of pan-European services and the free movement of telecommunications terminal equipment). 6. By 31 December 1994 at the latest, the Commission must submit a report on the application of this decision to the European Parliament and the Council. Source: European Commission - Info92 08/95