Culture: consideration of cultural aspects in the European Commnity action. Report

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In its working document relating to the Commission report on the consideration of cultural aspects in Community action, the Commission drew up a chronological list of Court of Justice judgments relating to cases brought before the Court since 1968 concerning the cultural dimension. Essentially, the judgments deal with problems of compatibility of Community legislation with national law, whether in strictly cultural matters (e.g. copyright and neighbouring rights) or in more economic matters which nevertheless have effects on culture (e.g. exports of cultural assets, problems of broadcasting certain television channels in the territory of other Member States etc.). In the second part of this document, the Commission presented a list of third countries with which the Community had signed cultural cooperation agreements and the scope or the type of cooperation in question (e.g. with Poland, Association Agreement providing, on the basis of Article 238 EC and Article 95 of the Association Agreement, for the opening up of EC programmes to Poles with possible forecast of Community financing).