EEA Agreement: amending Annex VII (mutual recognition of professional qualifications)

1999/0815(CNS) - 14/07/1999 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE : to amend Annex VII of the EEA Agreement establishing the mutual recognition of professional qualifications in view of adding recently adopted acquis in this field. CONTENT : in order to ensure the requisite legal security and homogeneity, the EEA Joint Committee is to integrate all the relevant Community legislation into the EEA Agreement as soon as possible after its adoption. Council Regulation 2894/94 concerning the arrangements for implementing the EEA Agreement envisages that the Council, after consulting the European Parliament, establishes the Community position for decisions extending Community legislation with substantial changes. The EEA Joint Committee's proposal concerns, in particular, Directive 97/50/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 October 1997 amending Directive 93/16/EEC to facilitate the free movement of doctors and the mutual recognition of their diplomas, certificates and other evidence of formal qualifications. This proposal includes an adaptation laying down a procedure for the amendement of the lists of designations in Articles 5 and 7 of Council Directive 92/51/EC.