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Amended proposal for a

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL DECISION

amending Decision 93/383/EEC of 14 June 1993 on reference laboratories for the
monitoring of marine biotoxins

(presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 189 a (2)
of the EC-Treaty)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

On 25 September 1996 the Commission presented a proposal for a Council Decision amending Decision 93/383/EEC of 14 June 1993 on reference laboratories for monitoring marine biotoxins. That proposal, COM(96) 464 final, amends the Annex to Decision 93/383/EEC as regards the UK national reference laboratory which is replaced by another laboratory designated by the UK authorities and adds an Article empowering the Commission to make further amendments to the Annex. The proposal has not yet been adopted by the Council.

Following the undertaking made by the Commission to Parliament to introduce the codecision procedure provided for by Article 100a of the Treaty for all proposals concerning public health, the Commission is amending its initial proposal. The legal basis of Article 43 of the Treaty is thus replaced by Article 100a, the title, citations and recitals being amended as a consequence.

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monitoring of marine biotoxins

On 25 September 1996, the Commission presented to the Council a proposal to amend Decision 93/383/EEC of 14 June 1993 on reference laboratories for the monitoring of marine biotoxins. The proposal was based on Article 43 of the Treaty. As a result of a Commission review, the initial proposal is amended as follows:

The following points are added to Article 1:

(3) The title is replaced by:

“European Parliament and Council Decision amending Decision 93/383/EEC of 14 June 1993 on reference laboratories for the monitoring of marine biotoxins”

(4) the Decision citations are replaced by:

“THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE
EUROPEAN UNION

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 100a thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission¹,

¹ OJ No C 331, 6.11.1996, p.12.

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Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee²,

Acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 189b of the Treaty³,”

- (5) An extra recital is added before the other recitals:

“whereas implementation of the single market requires, for the purposes of health protection in the veterinary and plant health sectors harmonized monitoring of product health; whereas this requirement applies in particular to marine biotoxins;

- (6) At the end of the recitals the words “HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION” are replaced by “HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION”

² OJ No C

³ OJ No C

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