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OJ of the EU, L 32/9 of 4 February 2019

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13. Internal Market and Single Market

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COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2019/289 of 19 February 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No 702/2014 declaring certain categories of aid in the agricultural and forestry sectors and in rural areas compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ of the EU, L 48/1 of 20 February 2019

Case Law

Case C-563/17: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Second Chamber) of 27 February 2019 - Associação Peço a Palavra, João Carlos Constantino Pereira Osório, Maria Clara Marques Pires Sarmento Franco, Sofia da Silva Santos Arauz and Maria João Galhardas Fitas v Conselho de Ministros, Parpública — Participações Públicas SGPS SA and TAP — Transportes Aéreos Portugueses SGPS SA - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Supremo Tribunal Administrativo (Supreme Administrative Court, Portugal) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Freedom of establishment — Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 — Air carrier company — Reprivatisation process — Sale of shares representing up to 61% of the share capital — Conditions — Requirement to keep the headquarters and effective management in a Member State — Public service obligations — Requirement to maintain and develop the existing national hub
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-563/17 of 27 February 2019

Joined Cases C-116/16 and C-117/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 26 February 2019 - Skatteministeriet v T Danmark (C-116/16) and Y Denmark Aps (C-117/16) - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Østre Landsret (High Court of Eastern Denmark, Denmark) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Approximation of laws — Common system of taxation applicable in the case of parent companies and subsidiaries of different Member States — Directive 90/435/EEC — Exemption of the profits distributed by companies of a Member State to companies of other Member States — Beneficial owner of the distributed profits — Abuse of rights — Company established in a Member State and paying to an associated company established in another Member State dividends all or almost all of which are then transferred outside the European Union — Subsidiary subject to an obligation to withhold tax on the profits at source
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-116/16 of 26 February 2019
Joined Cases C-115/16, C-118/16, C-119/16 and C-299/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 26 February 2019 - N Luxembourg 1 (C-115/16), X Denmark A/S (C-118/16), C Danmark I (C-119/16) and Z Denmark ApS (C-299/16) v Skatteministeriet - REQUESTS for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Østre Landsret (High Court of Eastern Denmark, Denmark) (C-115/16, C-118/16 and C-119/16) and from the Vestre Landsret (High Court of Eastern Denmark, Denmark) (C-299/16) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Approximation of laws — Common system of taxation applicable to interest and royalty payments made between associated companies of different Member States — Directive 2003/49/EC — Beneficial owner of the interest and royalties — Article 5 — Abuse of rights — Company established in a Member State and paying to an associated company established in another Member State interest all or almost all of which is then transferred outside the European Union — Subsidiary subject to an obligation to withhold tax on the interest at source
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-115/16 of 26 February 2019

Case C-135/17: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 26 February 2019 - X GmbH v Finanzamt Stuttgart — Körperschaften — Request for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Bundesfinanzhof (Federal Finance Court, Germany) - Request for a preliminary ruling — Free movement of capital — Movement of capital between Member States and third countries — Standstill clause — National legislation of a Member State regarding controlled companies established in third countries — Amendment of that legislation, followed by the reintroduction of the earlier legislation — Income of a company established in a third country derived from the holding of debts owed to a company established in a Member State — Incorporation of that income into the tax base of a taxable person resident for tax purposes in a Member State — Restriction on the free movement of capital — Justification
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-135/17 of 26 February 2019

Case C-591/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL WAHL of 6 February 2019 - Republic of Austria v Federal Republic of Germany - Failure of a Member State to fulfil obligations — Article 259 TFEU — Articles 18, 34, 56 and 92 TFEU — Directive 1999/62/EC — Use of motorways — Infrastructure charge for vehicles of less than 3.5 tonnes — Tax relief on the motor vehicle tax — Indirect discrimination — Measures having equivalent effect — Restrictions to the freedom to provide services — Common transport policy — Standstill clause
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-591/17 of 6 February 2019

Case C-395/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 6 February 2019 - European Commission v Kingdom of the Netherlands - Failure of a Member State to fulfil its obligations — Own resources — Decision 91/482/EEC — Decision 2001/822/EC — Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union — Importations of milk powder and rice from Curaçao and meal groats from Aruba — EUR.1 certificates incorrectly issued by the customs authorities of an Overseas Country or Territory — Uncollected customs duties by the Member States of importation — Financial liability of the Member State with which an OCT has a special relationship — Compensation for loss to the EU’s own resources incurred in another Member State
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-395/17 of 6 February 2019

Case C-391/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 6 February 2019 - European Commission v United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland - Failure of a Member State to fulfil its obligations — Own resources — Decision 91/482/EEC — Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union — Importations of aluminium from Anguilla — EXP certificates incorrectly issued by the customs authorities of an Overseas Country or Territory — Uncollected customs duties by the Member State of importation — Financial liability of the Member State with which an OCT has a special relationship — Compensation for loss to the EU’s own resources incurred in another Member State
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-391/17 of 6 February 2019

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-220/17 of 30 January 2019

Case Law

Case C-194/17 P: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Third Chamber) of 31 January 2019 - Georgios Pandalis, residing in Glandorf (Germany) v European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) and LR Health & Beauty Systems GmbH, established in Ahlen (Germany) - APPEAL under Article 56 of the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union - Appeal — EU trade mark — Regulation (EC) No 207/2009 — Article 51(1)(a) and (2) and Article 75 — EU trade mark Cystus — Food supplements not for medical purposes — Partial revocation — Lack of genuine use of the trade mark — Perception of the word ‘cystus’ as a descriptive indication of the main ingredient of the goods concerned — Obligation to state reasons
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-194/17 of 31 January 2019


Community Legislation

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/326 of 25 February 2019 laying down measures for entering the data in the Entry/Exit System (EES)
OJ of the EU, L 57/5 of 26 February 2019

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/327 of 25 February 2019 laying down measures for accessing the data in the Entry/Exit System (EES)
OJ of the EU, L 57/10 of 26 February 2019

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/328 of 25 February 2019 laying down measures for keeping and accessing the logs in the Entry/Exit System (EES)
OJ of the EU, L 57/14 of 26 February 2019

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/329 of 25 February 2019 laying down the specifications for the quality, resolution and use of fingerprints and facial image for biometric verification and identification in the Entry/Exit System (EES)
OJ of the EU, L 57/18 of 26 February 2019

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/304 of 18 February 2019 concerning the notification by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of its wish no longer to take part in some of the provisions of the Schengen acquis which are contained in Council Regulation (EC) No 377/2004 on the creation of an immigration liaison officers network
OJ of the EU, L 51/7 of 22 February 2019

COMMISSION DECISION (EU) 2019/236 of 7 February 2019 laying down internal rules concerning the provision of information to data subjects and the restriction of certain of their rights in the context of the processing of personal data by the European Commission for the purposes of internal security of the Union institutions
OJ of the EU, L 37/144 of 8 February 2019

Case Law

Case C-129/18: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL CAMPOS SÁNCHEZ-BORDONA of 26 February 2019 — SM v Entry Clearance Officer, UK Visa Section - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Right of Union citizens and their family members to move and reside freely within the territory of the Member States — Directive 2004/38/EC — Concept of direct descendant of a Union citizen — Family reunification — Child in legal guardianship under the Algerian kafala system — Right to family life — Protection of the child’s best interests
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-128/18 of 26 February 2019
Case C-492/18 PPU: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 12 February 2019 - TC - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the rechtbank Amsterdam (District Court, Amsterdam, Netherlands) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Judicial cooperation in criminal matters — Framework Decision 2002/584/JHA — European arrest warrant — Article 12 — Keeping a person in detention — Article 17 — Time limits for adoption of the decision to execute the European arrest warrant — National legislation providing for automatic suspension of detention 90 days after arrest — Interpretation in conformity with EU law — Suspension of time limits — Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Article 6 — Right to liberty and security — Differing interpretations of national legislation — Clarity and predictability

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-492/18 of 12 February 2019


CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-49/18 of 7 February 2019

Case C-535/17: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 6 February 2019 - NK, liquidator in the bankruptcies of PI Gerechtsdeurwaarderskantoor BV and of PI v BNP Paribas Fortis NV - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Hoge Raad der Nederlanden (Supreme Court of the Netherlands) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Judicial cooperation in civil matters — Jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters — Regulation (EC) No 44/2001 and Regulation (EC) No 1346/2000 — Scope of those regulations — Bankruptcy of a bailiff — Action brought by the liquidator in charge of administering and liquidating the bankruptcy

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-535/17 of 6 February 2019


CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-149/18 of 31 January 2019

Case C-646/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 5 February 2019 - Criminal proceedings v Gianluca Moro - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Tribunale di Brindisi (District Court, Brindisi, Italy) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Judicial cooperation in criminal matters — Right to information in criminal proceedings — Modification of the accusation in terms of classification of the act — No possibility to apply for a negotiated settlement after the trial proceedings had begun

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-646/17 of 5 February 2019
16. Transport

Community Legislation


*OJ of the EU, L 58/1 of 26 February 2019*

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/317** of 11 February 2019 laying down a performance and charging scheme in the single European sky and repealing Implementing Regulations (EU) No 390/2013 and (EU) No 391/2013 (Text with EEA relevance)

*OJ of the EU, L 56/1 of 25 February 2019*
COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/299 of 12 February 2019 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community as regards certain personnel matters in relation to the implementation of the Treaty establishing the Transport Community
OJ of the EU, L 50/23 of 21 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 43/1 of 14 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 42/9 of 13 February 2019

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2019/225 of 6 February 2019 amending Regulation (EC) No 748/2009 as regards the aircraft operators for which the United Kingdom is specified as administering Member State (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ of the EU, L 41/1 of 12 February 2019

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2019/226 of 6 February 2019 amending Regulation (EC) No 748/2009 on the list of aircraft operators which performed an aviation activity listed in Annex I to Directive 2003/87/EC on or after 1 January 2006 specifying the administering Member State for each aircraft operator (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ of the EU, L 41/100 of 12 February 2019

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/232 of 16 July 2018 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community as regards the adoption of the rules of procedure of that committee
OJ of the EU, L 37/112 of 8 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 28/1 of 31 January 2019

Case Law

Case C-563/17: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Second Chamber) of 27 February 2019 - Associação Peço a Palavra, João Carlos Constantino Pereira Osório, Maria Clara Marques Pires Sarmento Franco, Sofia da Silva Santos Arauz and Maria João Galhardas Fitas v Conselho de Ministros, Parpública — Participações Públicas SGPS SA and TAP — Transportes Aéreos Portugueses SGPS SA - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Supremo Tribunal Administrativo (Supreme Administrative Court, Portugal) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Freedom of establishment — Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 — Air carrier company — Reprivatisation process — Sale of shares representing up to 61% of the share capital — Conditions — Requirement to keep the headquarters and effective management in a Member State — Public service obligations — Requirement to maintain and develop the existing national hub
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-563/17 of 27 February 2019
Case C-231/18: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Eighth Chamber) of 7 February 2019 - NK v Staatsanwaltschaft Oldenburg and Staatliches Gewerbeaufsichtsamt Oldenburg - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Oberlandesgericht Oldenburg (Higher Regional Court, Oldenburg, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Transport — Road transport — Regulation (EC) No 561/2006 — Regulation (EU) No 165/2014 — Obligation to use a tachograph — Exception for vehicles used for the carriage of live animals from farms to local markets and vice versa or from markets to local slaughterhouses
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-231/18 of 7 February 2019

Case C-591/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL WAHL of 6 February 2019 - Republic of Austria v Federal Republic of Germany - Failure of a Member State to fulfil obligations — Article 259 TFEU — Articles 18, 34, 56 and 92 TFEU — Directive 1999/62/EC — Use of motorways — Infrastructure charge for vehicles of less than 3.5 tonnes — Tax relief on the motor vehicle tax — Indirect discrimination — Measures having equivalent effect — Restrictions to the freedom to provide services — Common transport policy — Standstill clause
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-591/17 of 6 February 2019

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-149/18 of 31 January 2019

17. Community Institutions, Principles and the Communities’ own Resources

Community Legislation

DECISION (EU) 2019/322 OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK of 31 January 2019 on delegation of the power to adopt decisions regarding supervisory powers granted under national law (ECB/2019/4)
OJ of the EU, L 55/7 of 25 February 2019

DECISION (EU) 2019/323 OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK of 12 February 2019 nominating heads of work units to adopt delegated decisions regarding supervisory powers granted under national law (ECB/2019/5)
OJ of the EU, L 55/16 of 25 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 51/1 of 22 February 2019

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/304 of 18 February 2019 concerning the notification by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of its wish no longer to take part in some of the provisions of the Schengen acquis which are contained in Council Regulation (EC) No 377/2004 on the creation of an immigration liaison officers network
OJ of the EU, L 51/7 of 22 February 2019

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/255 of 13 February 2019 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 821/2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards detailed arrangements for the transfer and management of programme contributions, the reporting on financial instruments, technical characteristics of information and communication measures for operations and the system to record and store data
OJ of the EU, L 43/15 of 14 February 2019
COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/256 of 13 February 2019 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/207 with regard to changes to the models for submission of the information on a major project, for the joint action plan, for the implementation reports for the Investment for growth and jobs goal and for the European territorial cooperation goal and correcting that Regulation with regard to data for the purpose of the performance review and performance framework
OJ of the EU, L 43/20 of 14 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 38/1 of 8 February 2019

COMMISSION DECISION (EU) 2019/236 of 7 February 2019 laying down internal rules concerning the provision of information to data subjects and the restriction of certain of their rights in the context of the processing of personal data by the European Commission for the purposes of internal security of the Union institutions
OJ of the EU, L 37/144 of 8 February 2019

OJ of the EU, L 25/34 of 29 January 2019

Case Law

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-202/18 of 26 February 2019

Case C-129/18: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL CAMPOS SÁNCHEZ-BORDONA of 26 February 2019 – SM v Entry Clearance Officer, UK Visa Section - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Right of Union citizens and their family members to move and reside freely within the territory of the Member States — Directive 2004/38/EC — Concept of direct descendant of a Union citizen — Family reunification — Child in legal guardianship under the Algerian kafala system — Right to family life — Protection of the child’s best interests
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-128/18 of 26 February 2019

Case C-179/18: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Tenth Chamber) of 13 February 2019 - Ronny Rohart v Federale Pensioendienst - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU, from the arbeidsrechtbank Gent (Gent Labour Court, Belgium) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Social security — Pension rights under the national pension scheme for employed persons — Refusal to take into account the period of compulsory military service completed by an official of the European Union after taking up his post — Principle of sincere cooperation
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-179/18 of 13 February 2019

Case C-589/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL SHARPSTON of 7 February 2019 - Prenatal S.A. - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Tribunal Superior de Justicia de Cataluña (High Court of Justice, Catalonia, Spain) - Preliminary reference — Import of textile products declared as originating from Jamaica — Reimbursement of customs duties — Comparable dossier pending before the Commission — Restrictive character of the Commission’s communication — Competence of national authorities
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-589/17 of 7 February 2019
Case C-395/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 6 February 2019 - European Commission v Kingdom of the Netherlands - Failure of a Member State to fulfil its obligations — Own resources — Decision 91/482/EEC — Decision 2001/822/EC — Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union — Importations of milk powder and rice from Curaçao and meal groats from Aruba — EUR.1 certificates incorrectly issued by the customs authorities of an Overseas Country or Territory — Uncollected customs duties by the Member States of importation — Financial liability of the Member State with which an OCT has a special relationship — Compensation for loss to the EU’s own resources incurred in another Member State
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-395/17 of 6 February 2019

Case C-391/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK OF 6 February 2019 - European Commission v United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland - Failure of a Member State to fulfil its obligations — Own resources — Decision 91/482/EEC — Association of the Overseas Countries and Territories with the European Union — Importations of aluminium from Anguilla — Trans-shipment — EXP certificates incorrectly issued by the customs authorities of an Overseas Country or Territory — Uncollected customs duties by the Member State of importation — Financial liability of the Member State with which an OCT has a special relationship — Compensation for loss to the EU’s own resources incurred in another Member State
CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-391/17 of 6 February 2019

CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-183/17 of 31 January 2019

CURIA – Arrêt de la Cour de Justice dans l’affaire C-6/18 du 31 janvier 2019

Case C-587/17 P: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fourth Chamber) of 30 January 2019 - Kingdom of Belgium v European Commission - APPEAL under Article 256(1) TFEU and Article 56 of the Statute of the Court of Justice of the European Union - Appeal — European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) — Regulation (EC) No 1290/2005 — Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 — Expenses excluded from financing by the European Union — Unduly paid export refunds — Recovery — Not all judicial remedies were exhausted — No appeal on a point of law following the negative opinion of a lawyer authorised to act before the Cour de cassation (Belgium) — Article 267 TFEU — No reference for a preliminary ruling to the Court of Justice — Negligence on the part of a Member State
CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-587/17 of 30 January 2019

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-243/18 of 29 January 2019
Opinion 1/17: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOT of 29 January 2019 - Request for an opinion by the Kingdom of Belgium - Opinion pursuant to Article 218(11) TFEU — Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between Canada, of the one part, and the European Union and its Member States, of the other part (CETA) — Resolution of disputes between investors and States (ISDS) — Establishment of a Tribunal and an Appellate Tribunal — Compatibility with primary EU law — Requirement to respect the autonomy of the EU legal order and of the judicial system of the European Union — Applicability of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union to the exercise, by the European Union, of its competence to conclude an international agreement — Articles 20 and 21 of the Charter — Principle of equal treatment — Article 47 of the Charter — Right of access to an independent and impartial tribunal

CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-1/17 of 29 January 2019