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Amended proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

on inter-administration telematic networks for statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States *(EDICOM)*

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

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The EDICOM actions aim to support the system for collection of statistics on the trading of goods between Member States (INTRASTAT). It has been one of the political priorities necessary for the achievement of the single market since its launch in 1993.

The new préamble presented by the Parliament underlined the priority of these actions and the necessity of ensuring coordination which is acceptable to the Commission.

Consequently, the formal adoption of the EDICOM decision would ensure the shortest delays possible for the continuation of the work and to re-start the necessary actions for the 1996 programme which has been interrupted since the judgement of the Court of Justice on 26 March 1996.

Following the adoption on a first reading on 20 September 1996 of the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal for a Council decision on inter-administration telematic networks for statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States (Edicom) and pursuant to Article 189a (2) of the Treaty, the initial proposal presented by the Commission in document COM(96) 0319 is amended as follows:

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(Amendment 1)

Recital 10a (new)

Whereas the measures aimed at ensuring the interoperability of telematic networks between administrations fall within the framework of priorities adopted in relation to the guidelines for trans-European telecommunications networks;

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