(Acts adopted pursuant to Title V of the Treaty on European Union)

COUNCIL COMMON POSITION

of 20 July 2000

suspending, for a limited period, Article 4 of Common Position 1999/318/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and repealing Common Position 2000/176/CFSP

(2000/454/CFSP)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 15 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In Common Position 2000/176/CFSP [1], the Council decided to suspend Article 4 of Common Position 1999/318/CFSP [2] for six months.

(2) In its conclusions of 10 July 2000 the Council decided, in support of civil society, to extend the suspension of the flight ban until 31 March 2001.

(3) Article 4 of Common Position 1999/318/CFSP should be suspended and Common Position 2000/176/CFSP should be repealed accordingly.

(4) Action is required at Community level in order to implement fully the measures resulting from this suspension,

HAS ADOPTED THIS COMMON POSITION:

Article 1

Article 4 of Common Position 1999/318/CFSP shall be suspended until 31 March 2001.

Article 2

The suspension laid down in Article 1 will be kept under constant review.

Article 3

Common Position 2000/176/CFSP shall be repealed.

Article 4

This Common Position shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

Article 5

This Common Position shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Brussels, 20 July 2000.

For the Council
The President
F. PARLY

[1] OJ L 56, 1.3.2000, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 123, 13.5.1999, p. 1.