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COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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The purpose of the amendment requested by the Court of First Instance¹ is to clarify the language arrangements applicable to appeals before the Court of First Instance against decisions of the Civil Service Tribunal.

In substance, this amendment provides that the procedural language will be the language of the Civil Service Tribunal decision against which the appeal is being lodged. The amendment is purely technical in nature and does not require any comment on the part of the Commission.

The Commission therefore agrees to the text proposed by the Court of First Instance.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission

¹ See letter of 7 October 2008 from the Council of the EU, ref. SGS8/12681, to which is attached the request from the Court of First Instance, doc. 13301/08.