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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL III
INDUSTRY
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Construction

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AMENDMENT TO :

MANDATES TO CEN/CENELEC
CONCERNING THE EXECUTION OF STANDARDISATION WORK
FOR HARMONISED STANDARDS ON

**THERMAL INSULATION PRODUCTS;
DOORS, WINDOWS, SHUTTERS, GATES AND RELATED BUILDING HARDWARE;
MEMBRANES;
PRECAST NORMAL/ LIGHTWEIGHT/ AUTOCLAVED AERATED CONCRETE
PRODUCTS;
CHIMNEYS, FLUES AND SPECIFIC PRODUCTS;
GYPSUM PRODUCTS;
FIRE ALARM/ DETECTION, FIXED FIREFIGHTING, FIRE AND SMOKE CONTROL
AND EXPLOSION SUPPRESSION PRODUCTS.**

This amendment modifies the original mandates in the following manner :

§ The text of Annex I of this amendment is appended to each of the above mandates. The mandates are not otherwise modified by this amendment.

ANNEX I

“ ANNEX 4

DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

European Technical Specifications must be adopted taking into account the necessary legislation on substances classified as dangerous.

This results from the Interpretative Documents, where it is noted in the introduction note to all six Interpretative Documents, that :

"Concerning dangerous substances which are in construction products, classes and/or levels of performance to which technical specifications will refer, shall allow the levels of protection needed by the works to be guaranteed, taking into account the purpose of the works."

In addition, outside the scope of the Directive, writers of technical specifications must take into account legislation which affects material to be used for construction products, and which are regulated for reasons not related to the incorporation into the works of the construction products.

In order to permit technical specification writers to take into account the necessary legislation, a working document was elaborated by the Commission services (doc. CONSTRUCT 95/148 Rev.1 of January 4, 1996). Specification writers should use this document as a guide but must also take account of any other relevant legislation or dangerous substances which the working document does not yet include.

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