



## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Secrétariat Général

Directorate C – Smart Regulation and Work programme  
**SG.C.3-Application of EU Law**

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Dear Mr Zinser,

I refer to your information requests messages of 8 March (Ares(2015)2874647) and 30 June 2015 addressed to the Directorate General Justice, Consumers and Gender Equality in which you requested specific information related to infringements.

First of all, I would like to apologize for the late reply.

We would like to provide you with the following information and links which we hope you will find useful.

As regards your query on the overview of all EU regulations which can be subject of an infringement proceeding (point 1 of your request), we would like to inform you that the Commission initiates an infringement procedure if it considers that a Member State has failed to fulfil an obligation under the Treaties. Hence, the Treaties as well as any other EU legislation in force may be concerned. You may consult EU legislation at the EUR-Lex website:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en>

Furthermore, the information in relation to the infringement decisions that you requested under points 2 and 3 of your request, including the chronology of decisions, is publicly available on the Commission's website. The Commission makes available this information to the public via a search tool that allows searching the infringement decisions by the decision number (which is the same all along the infringement proceeding), the Member State, the decision date or type, the policy area/the responsible Commission's department. It is also possible to search by introducing the combination of one or several above mentioned criteria. You can find the search tool under the following link:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/infringement\\_decisions/?lang\\_code=en](http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/infringement_decisions/?lang_code=en)

As already mentioned, this database also informs about the policy area/department in charge (point 4 of your request).

On your request under point 5, please note that the decisions on the referral to the Court of Justice of the EU and on proposed financial sanctions are taken by the College of Commissioners. More information on the financial sanctions, including the related Commissions' Communications and Commission's decisions under Article 260,

paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, can be found under the following links:

[http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/financial-sanctions/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/financial-sanctions/index_en.htm)

[http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/infringement\\_decisions/index.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/infringement_decisions/index.cfm).

Following the notification by the Commission of the referrals to Court, the Court attributes a reference number to each case. For further information on the procedures before the Court, please consult the Court's webpage at <http://curia.europa.eu/>

On Point 6, please find general information on the database used by the Commission services (NIF) on the following link: <http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register/details.htm?id=25713>.

We would also like to inform you that the Commission publishes yearly the Report on the monitoring of the application of EU law. The report provides among others an overview of the Commission's decisions and Court judgements with financial sanctions. You can find the Annual reports under the following link: [http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/annual-reports/index\\_en.htm#](http://ec.europa.eu/atwork/applying-eu-law/infringements-proceedings/annual-reports/index_en.htm#).

For any further questions, we advise you to contact Europe Direct or visit one of the Europe Direct Centres. You will find more information on these at: [http://europa.eu/europedirect/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/europedirect/index_en.htm)

Kind regards,



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