

Decision No MC/2017/04
of the Management Committee of the Office of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC Office) on the reply to the preliminary observations of the European Court of Auditor with a view to a report on the BEREC Office annual accounts for financial year 2016

The Management Committee,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) № 1211/2009 of 25 November 2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) and the Office, in particular Article 13 (9) thereof ('the BEREC Regulation');

Having regard to the preliminary observations of the Court of Auditors with a view to a report on the annual accounts of the BEREC Office for the financial year 2016, adopted by Chamber IV at its meeting on 16 of May and received at the BEREC Office on 29 May 2017,

Having regard to the 2016 Consolidated Annual Activity Report of the BEREC Office¹ and the analysis and assessment of the Management Committee sent to the Court of Auditors, the Commission, the European Parliament and the Council²

Whereas:

- 1) In accordance with Article 208(4) of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) no 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (EU, Euratom), as amended, ('the Financial Regulation'), the Court of Auditors shall prepare a Specific Annual Report on each body in line with the requirements of Article 287(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union;
- 2) In accordance with Article 162(1) of Financial Regulation, the Court of Auditors shall transmit to the Commission and the BEREC Office by 30 June, any observations which are, in its opinion, such that they should appear in the annual report;

¹MC (17) 51, 2016 Consolidated Annual Activity Report of the BEREC Office, 28.06.2017, http://berec.europa.eu/eng/document_register/subject_matter/berec_office/office_annual_activity_report/7146-2016-consolidated-annual-activity-report-of-the-berec-office

² MC (17) 57, Letter to the Court of Auditors, to the Commission, to the European Parliament and the Council for submitting the BEREC Office 2016 Consolidated Annual Activity Report, http://berec.europa.eu/eng/document_register/subject_matter/berec_office/office_annual_activity_report/7149-letter-to-the-court-of-auditors-to-the-commission-to-the-european-parliament-and-the-council-for-submitting-the-berec-office-2016-consolidated-annual-activity-report

- 3) In accordance with Article 13(9) of the BEREC Regulation, the Management Committee shall reply to the Court of Auditors' observations by 15 October. The Management Committee shall also send this reply to the European Parliament and the Commission;
- 4) The Management Committee has analysed the observations of the Court of Auditors mentioned above,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The replies of the Management Committee to the Preliminary observations of the Court of Auditors with a view to a report on the annual accounts of the BEREC Office for the financial year 2016 are hereby adopted.

Article 2

The Administrative Manager shall submit these replies to the Court of Auditors by 30 September 2017 at the latest. The replies shall be sent to the Commission at the same time. The replies shall be provided to the European Parliament by 15 October 2017.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at Paris, on 31 July 2017.

For the Management Committee

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**Sébastien Soriano
BEREC Chair 2017**