

Commission Decision of 29 December 2003 laying down rules for the implementation of Council Decision 2001/792/EC, Euratom establishing a Community mechanism to facilitate reinforced cooperation in civil protection assistance interventions (notified under document number C(2003) 5185) (Text with EEA relevance) (2004/277/EC, Euratom)

## CHAPTER V

### **ASSESSMENT AND/OR COORDINATION TEAMS, INCLUDING CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF EXPERTS**

#### *Article 14*

The participating States shall provide and regularly update their information on the experts selected in accordance with Article 3(b) of Decision 2001/792/EC, Euratom.

#### *Article 15*

The experts shall be classified in the following categories:

- (a) technical experts;
- (b) assessment experts;
- (c) coordination team members;
- (d) coordination head.

#### *Article 16*

1 The technical experts shall be able to provide advice on specific, highly technical topics and on risks involved and be available for missions.

2 The assessment experts shall be able to provide an assessment of the situation and advise on the appropriate action to be taken and be available for missions.

3 The coordination team members may include a deputy coordination head, persons responsible for logistics and communications and other personnel as necessary. If requested, the technical experts and the assessment experts may be incorporated into the coordination team in order to assist the coordination head for the whole duration of a mission.

4 The coordination head shall be responsible for leading the assessment and coordination team during an intervention. She/he shall assume proper liaison with the authorities of the affected country, with the Monitoring and Information Centre, with other international organisations and, in case of any civil protection assistance interventions outside the participating States, also with the Member State holding the Presidency of the Council of the European Union or its representative and with the Commission delegation in that country and with the office or official representative of the European Community Humanitarian Aid Office (ECHO) in that country.

#### *Article 17*

The information on the experts shall be compiled by the Commission in an expert database and be made available through the CECIS.

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#### *Article 18*

The experts shall, where necessary, follow the training programme set up in accordance with Article 21.

#### *Article 19*

In the event of a request for assistance, the participating States shall be responsible for activating the available experts and put them in touch with the Monitoring and Information Centre.

#### *Article 20*

1 The Monitoring and Information Centre shall be capable of mobilising and dispatching the designated experts at very short notice after the experts have been activated by the participating States.

2 The Monitoring and Information Centre shall follow the dispatch procedure based on the confirmation for mission used by the Commission for the secondment of experts in emergency situations, which covers the following elements:

- a written confirmation of the mission;
- b the objectives of the mission;
- c the envisaged duration of the mission;
- d the local contact person information;
- e the insurance condition coverage;
- f the daily compensation allowance to cover expenses;
- g the specific payment conditions;
- h guidelines for technical experts, assessment experts, coordination experts and heads.

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