

Directive 2006/116/EC of the European Parliament and of
the Council of 12 December 2006 on the term of protection
of copyright and certain related rights (codified version)

Article 4

Protection of previously unpublished works

Any person who, after the expiry of copyright protection, for the first time lawfully publishes or lawfully communicates to the public a previously unpublished work, shall benefit from a protection equivalent to the economic rights of the author. The term of protection of such rights shall be 25 years from the time when the work was first lawfully published or lawfully communicated to the public.