Government Decree
on Television and Radio Operations
(698/2003)

Section 1
A work is deemed as a European work as referred to in paragraph 1 of section 16 of the Act on Television and Radio Operations (744/1998), if the majority of the workers involved in that particular work live in one or more states of the European Economic Area or in a state that is a party to the European Convention on Transfrontier Television (Finnish Treaty Series 87/1994),
1) if that work is made by one or several producers established in one or more of these states;
2) if the production of that work is controlled and supervised by one or more producers established in one or more of these states; or
3) if it is a co-production work, of which the majority of the total cost is supplied by producers established in these states and the production is not controlled by producers established outside the territory of these states.
A work is also deemed as a European work, if it is made exclusively or in co-production with producers established in the European Economic Area by producers established in one or more European third countries, with which the European Community has concluded agreements relating to the audiovisual sector. A further requirement, however, is that the majority of workers of that production reside in one or more European states.

Section 2
A work shall be deemed to be a European work, if it is produced within the framework of bilateral co-production treaties concluded between states of the European Economic Area and third countries provided that the producers established in the European Economic Area supply a majority of the cost of the production and that the production is not controlled by one or more producers established outside the territory of the European Economic Area.

Section 3
A work that is not a European work within the meaning of paragraphs 1 or 2 but that is mainly made by workers residing in one or more states of the European Economic Area shall be deemed to be a European work in proportion to the percentage of the total cost supplied by producers established in the European Economic Area.

Section 4
This Decree enters into force on 25 July 2003.

This Decree repeals the Decree of 15 January 1999 on Television and Radio Operations (14/1999).