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APPLICATION OF SUMMER TIME

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FINLAND

(a - c)

The Directive on summer time arrangements is applied in Finland. The application of the summer time is done by putting the clocks one hour forward at 3 a.m. and the return to winter time by putting the clocks one hour backward at 4 a.m.

TURKEY

(a)

Summer time arrangements for the years 1998-2000 have already been made, Therefore, the period for summer time application for 1999 has began on 28 March and will end on 31 October.

(b)

The hour of transition at the beginning of summer time is 1 am. GMT+2 while at the end of summer time it is 2 a.m. GMT+3.

(c)

Summer time arrangements are under the responsibility of the Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, and the decision to apply summer time shall be approved for each period of applications (approximately for 2 or 3 years) by the Council of Ministers. Therefore, the decision on summer time application after the year 2000 may be taken next year.
