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Furthermore the Environmental Committee adopted with the majority of votes the following statements:

“The Committee states that the Working Group of the Federal Government and the Federal Provinces on the examination of the need for implementation and the elaboration of legal steps of implementation with respect to the Aarhus Convention shall be extended by the social partners and shall meet after having received the Opinion of the Advocate General in the proceedings of the European Court of Justice on the Water Framework Directive within a period of 3 weeks for consultations. The goal is the submission of a draft for the legislative implementation in the fields concerned by the infringement proceedings as soon as possible in the calendar year 2017. For legal fields which do not fall within the competence of the Federal Government it is resorted to the already existing preparatory work of the Federal Provinces. The goal of the consultations is to create a coherent legal situation for the norm addressee in the whole federal territory in order to alleviate the application of the law. “

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