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HELLENIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS & POST COMMISSION

**No. 308/37** (7)

**Selection of technological solution for the implementation of the Voluntary Accreditation scheme**

**THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTS COMMISSION (EETT)**

**Taking into account:**

- a. Law . 2867/2000 on the Organization and Operation of Telecommunications and other Provisions (Government Gazette Issue No. 273/A/2000) and more specifically Article 3 (14) (y) and (aa),
- b. Presidential Decree No. 150/2001 on the Adaptation of Directive 99/93/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Community framework for electronic signatures (Government Gazette Issue No. 125/A/2001), and in particular Article 4 (2), (5), (8),
- c. PD 342/2002 on the transfer of documents by e-mail among public services, public law legal entities, and the local and regional government organizations or among those and natural persons or private law legal entities and associations of natural persons (Government Gazette 284/A/2002),
- d. EETT Decision 295/65/2003 on a Regulation on the Voluntary Accreditation of Certification Service Providers (Government Gazette 1730/B/2003),
- e. the study of the competent Department of EETT on the selection of the technological infrastructure for the implementation of the Voluntary Accreditation scheme for Electronic Signature Certification Service Providers, according to which two possible technological solutions have been the most predominant ones for the implementation of the Voluntary Accreditation scheme in Greece:
  - (I) Implementation of Root Certification Authority (CA) infrastructure
  - (II) Distribution of an Electronically Signed List
- f. EETT Letter with Ref. No. 806/F.300/16.1.2004 to all providers registered in the Registry of all Certification Service Providers established in Greece, entitled "Implementation of Technological Infrastructure for the operation of the Voluntary Accreditation scheme by EETT", by means of which EETT has requested all of the above Providers to submit their viewpoints on the implementation of technological solutions (I) and (II),
- g. the responses to the above document received by the parties involved, from which it has resulted that nobody has been against the solution of the Distribution of an Electronically Signed List,

**Whereas:**

- a. the electronic signature certification services market in Greece is not considered sufficiently developed and competitive,
- b. the choice of the "Implementation of Root Certification Authority infrastructure" as a solution for the technological support of the Voluntary Accreditation scheme would be a beneficial intervention in the electronic signature certification services market in Greece and would contribute to their wider acceptance and adoption by the public, only if the electronic signature certification services market and in particular the services regarding Qualified Certificates were developed to a satisfactory extent,
- c. the choice of the "Distribution of an Electronically Signed List " is the simplest but at the same time a sufficient intervention for the fastest implementation and operation of a Voluntary Accreditation scheme, which enables any future transit to another scheme, decides:
  1. The adoption and implementation of the Electronically Signed List solution for supporting the National Voluntary Accreditation scheme.
  2. The review of the solution in paragraph 1 above in due time in terms of a possible transition to the Root CA or other solution which may prove to be the best one in the future, taking account of the existing situation and the prospects of growth of the electronic signature certification services market in Greece, recent developments in such market internationally, and especially in the European Union, following a relevant Public Consultation.
  3. This Decision shall enter into force from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

This decision to be published in the Government Gazette.

Maroussi, March 3, 2004

The President

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