COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

of 4 December 1980

amending, consequent on the accession of Greece, Directive 74/562/EEC on admission to the occupation of road passenger transport operator in national and international transport operations

(80/1179/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the 1979 Act of Accession, and in particular Article 146 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Directive 74/562/EEC of 12 November 1974 on admission to the occupation of road passenger transport operator in national and international transport operations (1) must be amended so as to ensure that in Greece the acquired rights of operators already engaged in their occupation in that country are safeguarded under conditions comparable to those which have been enjoyed by operators in the present Member States;

Whereas, under the terms of Article 22 of the 1979 Act of Accession, Directive 74/562/EEC must be adapted in conformity with the guidelines as set out in Annex II to that Act; whereas, moreover, such adaptation should take account of the time limit provided for in Annex XII to the Act for the introduction by Greece of the measures required for the application of Directive 74/562/EEC,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

The following paragraph shall be added to Article 4 of Directive 74/562/EEC:

'3. With regard to Greece, the dates in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be replaced as follows:

— in paragraph 1, "1 January 1978" shall be replaced by "1 January 1984";

— in paragraph 2, "31 December 1974", "1 January 1978" and "1 January 1980" shall be replaced by "31 December 1980", "1 January 1984" and "1 January 1986" respectively.'

Article 2

This Directive shall apply as from 1 January 1981.

Article 3

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 December 1980.

For the Council
The President
J. BARTHEL

(1) OJ No L 308, 19. 11. 1974, p. 23.