

DECISION
ADB(D) 13-2009

**Arrangements concerning the SESAR Joint Undertaking's
internal audit function**

THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE SESAR JOINT UNDERTAKING

Having regard to:

1. Article 4a.2 of Council Regulation (EC) No 219/2007 of 27 February 2007, as amended by Council Regulation (EC) 1361/2008 of 16 December 2008, establishing the SESAR Joint Undertaking,
2. Article 7a. of the SESAR Joint Undertaking Statutes, annexed to the Council Regulation (EC) No 219/2007 of 27 February 2007, as amended by Council Regulation (EC) 1361/2008 of 16 December 2008, establishing the SESAR Joint Undertaking,
3. European Commission document SEC(2003) 59 final, dated 21.1.2003. '*Clarification of the responsibilities of the key actors in the domain of internal audit and internal control in the Commission*'.
4. Articles 71, 72 and 73 of the SJU Financial Rules.

Whereas

1. The SESAR Joint Undertaking, hereafter SJU, as a Community body, shall have its own internal auditing function as described in Articles 71, 72 and 73 of the draft SJU Financial Regulation,
2. The role of the Internal Audit function is described in European Commission document SEC(2003) 59 final, dated 21.1.2003 as follows:

The primary objective of the Internal Audit [function] will be to add value to the [SJU] in relation to the effectiveness of internal controls over the activities of the [SJU]. They are responsible for audits within the [SJU] In line with individual arrangements decided by the [Executive Director] and in accordance with the nature and the scope of their work during the year in question, they should express an opinion on the state of control as a contribution to the preparation of the Annual Activity Report. Together with the [Executive Director], a work plan should be established on the basis of a risk assessment.

3. The SJU Internal Auditor reports to the Executive Director and to the Administrative Board.
4. Article 8 of the SJU Statutes allows members of the SJU to propose to the Executive Director members of its staff as secondees to the SJU. Such staff must act with complete independence under the supervision of the Executive Director.

In its ordinary meeting of 12 June 2009, has taken the following Decision:

Article 1

Mr. Ross Walton is appointed as SJU Internal Auditor for an initial period of three years ending on 31 December 2011 and to instruct him to present to the next Administrative Board meeting proposals:

- to implement Article 7a of the SJU Regulation concerning the internal auditing function;
- an Internal Audit Charter appropriate to the SJU as a Community body describing the scope, reporting and authority of the SJU Internal Audit Function;
- for the Internal Audit work programme for the period up to 31 December 2010.

The present decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done in Brussels, 12 June 2009.

For the Administrative Board

Daniel Calleja Crespo
The Chairperson