

European Commission: Aid for Film and TV Production in Schleswig-Holstein and North Rhine-Westphalia Approved

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In October 2001 and January 2003, the German Federal Government notified the European Commission of film aid schemes in accordance with Art. 88(3) of the EC Treaty. The schemes provide support for film and TV productions in Schleswig-Holstein and North Rhine-Westphalia through the granting of partially repayable loans and subsidies. The aid is provided through the companies *Kulturelle Filmförderung Schleswig-Holstein e.V (KFF)* and *Filmstiftung NRW*, which were founded specifically for this purpose.

In both cases, the Commission decided to approve the aid schemes under Art. 87(3)(d) of the EC Treaty.

The decisions were based on those taken to approve the aid granted for film and TV productions in Hamburg and Baden-Württemberg (see IRIS 2002-1: 0).

In order to consider the development of the situation in the entire Community, the Commission only granted approval until the end of 2004.

Schreiben der Europäischen Kommission vom 28. November 2001 (Schleswig-Holstein)

http://ec.europa.eu/community_law/state_aids/comp-2001/n727-01.pdf

Letter from the European Commission of 28 November 2001 (Schleswig-Holstein)

Schreiben der Europäischen Kommission vom 19. März 2003 (Nordrhein-Westfalen)

http://ec.europa.eu/community_law/state_aids/comp-2003/n044-03.pdf

Letter from the European Commission of 19 March 2003 (North Rhine-Westphalia)

