[AT] Telecommunications Act Comes into Force

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The government bill which has been going through Parliament since June with (inter alia) a new Telecommunications Act (Telekommunikationsgesetz - TKG; see IRIS 1997-7: 12) has been adopted by the National Council with only slight amendment, and came into force on 1 August. The regulation on responsibility and also indirectly on liability referred to in IRIS 1997-7: 12 was not amended. The Ministry of Transport is working on setting up the projected Telekom-Control GmbH as the regulatory authority; this should be operational from November.

Bundesgesetz, mit dem ein Telekommunikationsgesetz erlassen wird, das Telegraphenwegegesetz, das Fernmeldegebührengesetz und das Kabel- und Satellitenrundfunkgesetz geändert werden sowie ergänzende Bestimmungen zum Rundfunkgesetz und zur Rundfunkverordnung getroffen werden (BGBl. I 100/1997 vom 19. August 1997)

Federal Law adopting a Telecommunications Act, amending the Telegraph Act, Long-Distance Telephone Charges Act and the Cable and Satellite Broadcasting Act, and supplementing the provisions of the Broadcasting Act and the Broadcasting Regulation (BGBI. I 100/1997 of 19 August 1997)

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