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Inquiry on implementation of new EU directives on public procurement

New EU directives on public procurement are currently being prepared. The proposals are at the moment pending Parliament approval and being negotiated in the Council, procedures which are expected to be completed in early 2013. According to the proposals, the new directives are to be implemented into the Members States' national legislation by 30 June 2014. The Commission has estimated the implementation period to 18 months. Some provisions on electronic communication shall however be implemented two years after the general implementation period.

The Swedish government has already appointed Supreme Administrative Court judge Eskil Nord as special investigator, with the task of proposing how certain provisions of the new directives shall be implemented. In doing so, he is to monitor the ongoing negotiations on the directives in the EU and to base his proposal on the content of the directives may, once these are adopted by the European Parliament and the Council. Eskil Nord is expected to complete his work on 1 April 2013. A proposal for implementation of the rest of the provisions of the directives will be prepared by the Government Offices in a parallel legislative process.



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