QUESTIONNAIRE

1. NUMBER OF DECISIONS

- a. How many decisions are pronounced each year? How many of them are published?
- b. What is the total number of decisions the Court has pronounced since 1945?
- c. What is the average number of pages per decision?
- d. What is the average number of characters per page?
- e. What is the approximate total number of pages of all the decisions the Court has pronounced?
- e. Approximately how many pages does a "long" decision contain?
- f. Do you foresee any significant increase or reduction in the number of decisions in the near future (2 to 4 years)?
- 2. TYPE OF DECISION
- a. Is it necessary to distinguish different types of decision, according, for example, to the type of case (direct control abstract control), the Court chambers involved (and their respective spheres of competence), content (decisions to dismiss the case following a preliminary investigation or decision), etc.?
- b. If so, please state the number of decisions of each type pronounced every year?
- 3. <u>DECISION STRUCTURE</u>
- a. Please give a brief description of how decisions are generally structured (e.g.: 1. identification; 2. the facts; 3. the proceedings; 4. the substance). (For each type of decision if necessary).
- b. How are the sub-divisions of a decision indicated? (e.g. by underlining headings, headings in special characters, numbering, etc.)
- 4. IDENTIFICATION OF DECISIONS
- a. What are the different elements by which a decision can be identified? (name of Court, Chamber, number, date, type of decision, etc.)
- b. How is a decision generally cited in national doctrine?
- 5. PUBLICATION OF DECISIONS
- a. Are decisions available:
- typed on paper (format)?
- printed on paper (format form)?
- microfiche (format form type of hardware)?
- floppy disk (format software used)?
- other supports?
- b. Please explain how decisions are published (by the court itself or by another body?; full text or extracts?; all decisions or only some of them? etc.).
- 6. PROCESSING OF DECISIONS
- a. Does the court already make summaries of its decisions? On what basis? (some/all decisions; done by the Court itself or through another body; etc.)
- b. Is there any specific thesaurus or any other filing system to help people consult the case law?
- c. Does the Court already have a computerised data bank of its case law? (if possible, state the hardware and software used and the centres equipped if other than the Courts themselves).
- 7. LANGUAGES

- a. In what language(s) are the decisions:
- written?
- pronounced?
- published?
- b. Are the decisions and/or summaries available in or translated into French and/or English? How soon are these translations available?

8. COMMUNICATION WITH THE DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

- a. Who would be the Centre's contact at the Court? (Name(s) function service address telephone and fax number languages spoken)
- b. By what means could decisions be transmitted to the Centre? (on paper/floppy disk by post (format); by fax; by computer link (modem))