

**Translation from Finnish**

**Legally binding only in Finnish and Swedish**

**Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland**

**Act on Provisions Supplementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2271/96 protecting against the effects of the extra-territorial application of legislation adopted by a third country, and actions based thereon or resulting therefrom**

*(265/1998)*

By decision of Parliament, the following is enacted:

**Section 1**

This Act lays down provisions supplementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2271/96 protecting against the effects of the extra-territorial application of legislation adopted by a third country, and actions based thereon or resulting therefrom, hereafter *the Anti-Boycott Regulation*.

**Section 2**

In Finland, the information referred to in Article 2 of the Anti-Boycott Regulation shall be provided to the competent ministry, unless it is provided directly to the Commission of the European Communities.

The party obliged to inform the Commission shall, at the request of the competent ministry, provide the ministry with all information related to the application of the Anti-Boycott Regulation.

**Section 3**

If a person referred to in Article 11 of the Anti-Boycott Regulation intentionally or through gross negligence

1) fails to comply with the obligation to inform the Commission or to provide information under Article 2 of the Regulation or provides false information on the circumstances referred to in the Article or

2) violates the prohibition under the first paragraph of Article 5 of the Regulation to comply with any requirement or prohibition referred to in the paragraph,

the person shall be sentenced for *violation of provisions of the Anti-Boycott Regulation* to a fine.

#### **Section 4**

Information as to where the texts of the legislative instruments listed in the Annex of the Anti-Boycott Regulation are open to public reading and available shall be published in an announcement of the competent ministry in the Statute Book of Finland.

#### **Section 5**

In this Act, the competent ministry refers to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, unless otherwise provided by decree.

#### **Section 6**

This Act enters into force on 15 April 1998.