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“Citadines”

Decision of the Court of Justice of the European Union (Sixth Chamber)

11 April 2024 – Case No. C-723/22; ECLI:EU:C:2024:289

Citadines Betriebs GmbH v. MPLC Deutschland GmbH

Directive 2001/29/EC, Art. 3(1); Directive 93/83/EEC

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Article 3(1) of Directive 2001/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society must be interpreted as meaning that the provision of television sets installed in the rooms or in the fitness area of a hotel, where a signal is also retransmitted to those sets by means of that hotel’s own cable distribution network, constitutes a ‘communication to the public’, within the meaning of that provision.

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