

Joined Cases T-18/89 and T-24/89

Harissios Tagaras

v

Court of Justice of the European Communities

(Taxation of costs)

Order of the Court of First Instance (Fourth Chamber), 25 February 1992 ..... II - 154

Summary of the Order

*Procedure—Costs—Taxation—Factors to be taken into consideration*

The Community judicature is not empowered to tax the fees payable by the parties to their own lawyers but it may determine the amount of those fees which may be recovered from the party ordered to pay the costs. It follows that it is not obliged to take account of any national scales of lawyers' fees or any agreement concluded in relation to fees.

Since Community law does not contain any provisions laying down a scale of fees, the Court must consider all the facts of the case, taking into account the purpose and nature of the proceedings, their significance from the point of view of Community law, as well as the difficulties presented by the case, the amount of work generated by the dispute for the lawyer involved and the financial interest which the parties had in the proceedings.