

**Law**  
**on Distance Contracts and other Matters of the Law relating to Consumers**  
**as well as on the Conversion of Provisions to Euro**

**of 27 June 2000**

The Federal Parliament [*Bundestag*] has adopted the following Law:

**Articles 1 to 3 ...**

**Article 4**

**Amendment to the Act Against Unfair Competition**

The Act Against Unfair Competition in the published revised version in the Federal Law Gazette, Part III, Category Number 43-1, as last amended by Article 14 of the Act of 22 June 1998 (Federal Law Gazette I p. 1474), shall be amended as follows:

1. Section 13 subsection 2 number 3 shall be worded as follows:
  - “3. by qualified entities that prove that they have been entered on the list of qualified entities pursuant to section 22a of the Act Regulating the Law on the General Terms and Conditions of Business, or on the list of the European Communities pursuant to Article 4 of the Directive 98/27/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 May 1998 on injunctions for the protection of consumers’ interests (Official Journal of the European Communities No. L 166 p. 51). In the case of Section 1 these institutions may only bring an action for an injunction so far as the action concerns an act affecting vital interests of consumers,”.
  
2. In Section 13a subsection 3, first sentence, the words “pursuant to section 3 subsections 1, 3 and 4 as well as section 5 subsection 3, first sentence, of the Act on Revocation of Door-to-door Sales and Similar Transactions” shall be replaced by the words “pursuant to section 361a subsection 2, first, third, fourth and sixth sentences of the Civil Code and section 5 subsection 4 of the Act on Revocation of Door-to-door Sales and Similar Transactions”.

**Article 12**  
**Entry into Force**

Article 2 para. 1 no. 15, Article 5 no. 10 (b) as well as Article 7 paras. 3, 6, 10 no. 1, para. 11 no. 2 and paras. 15 and 16 shall enter into force on 1 January 2002. Article 6 paras. 1 and 2 shall enter into force on 1 October 2000. All other parts of this Law shall enter into force on 30 June 2000.

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The constitutional rights of the Federal Council [*Bundesrat*] have been heeded.

The above Law is hereby executed and will be promulgated in the Federal Law Gazette.

Berlin, 27 June 2000

The Federal President  
Johannes Rau

The Federal Chancellor  
Gerhard Schröder

The Federal Minister of Justice  
Däubler-Gmelin

The Federal Minister of Economics and Technology  
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The Federal Minister of Education and Research  
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