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Gabinete del Presidente
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NOTA INFORMATIVA Nº 82/2014

THE TC GRANTS LEAVE TO PROCEED TO THE APPEAL LODGED BY THE GOVERNMENT AGAINST THE CATALONIAN CONSUMER CODE

The Plenary Meeting of the Spanish Constitutional Court has granted leave to proceed to the appeal lodged by the Government against Royal Decree-Law 6/2013, of 23 December, amending Act 22/2010, of 20 July, on the Consumer Code of Catalonia.

The Court has resolved to serve notice of the claim to the Congress, to the Senate, as well as the Government and Parliament of Catalonia, which have been granted a term of fifteen days in which to appear as party to these proceedings and submit their pleadings.

The Plenary Meeting has also agreed to automatically suspend the rule challenged as a result of the Government upholding Art. 161.2 of the Spanish Constitution (*“The Government may contest before the Constitutional Court the provisions and resolutions adopted by the agencies of the Autonomous Communities, which shall bring about the suspension of the contested provisions or resolutions, but the Court must either ratify or lift the suspension, as the case may be, within a period of not more than five months”*).

The granting of leave to proceed does not entail any decision whatsoever on the merits of the appeal, which the Court will examine shortly.

Madrid, 22 October 2014.