



## **HISTORICAL TIMELINE OF COPYRIGHT TERM CAMPAIGN**

March 2002	PPL and BPI raise copyright term with DCMS
May 2006	Petition to Gowers Review from 6,000 PPL performers
December 2006	UK Government accepts Gowers Review recommendation rejecting copyright term
December 2006	PPL takes ad in Financial Times on behalf of 6,000 performers
January 2008	IFPI delivers petition from 38,000 performers across Europe
February 2008	Commissioner McCreevy announces proposed Directive on copyright term
July 2008	Commission publishes draft Directive
November 2008	Performers send video message to Prime Minister Gordon Brown
December 2008	UK Government supports extending copyright term
Sept 2008 to March 2009	Draft Directive debated and amended by European Parliament and Council of Ministers
April 2009	European Parliament votes in favour of Copyright Term Directive
June 2009	European elections
May 2011	European Parliament agrees technical updates to the text of the Directive in Corrigendum vote
Sept 2011	Amending Term of Protection Directive adopted as Council of Ministers votes in favour

## **NEXT STEPS TO IMPLEMENTATION**

October 2011	Amending Term of Protection Directive published in EU Official Journal
TBC (after two years)	Copyright Term Directive implemented in Member States' legislation