

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Draft COUNCIL DECISION concerning the conclusion of the agreement on a concerted action project in the field of physico-chemical behavior of atmospheric pollutants (COST project 61a bis)

Draft COUNCIL DECISION concerning the conclusion of the agreement on a concerted action project in the field of analysis of organic micropollutants in water (COST project 64b bis)

Draft COUNCIL DECISION concerning the conclusion of the agreement on a concerted action project in the field of the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (COST project 90)

(Submitted to the Council by the Commission)



COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL

Subject: Agreements on three concerted action projects in the following fields:

- Physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants (COST project 61a bis) to be concluded between the EEC, Austria, Sweden,
- Analysis of organic micropollutants in water (COST project 64b bis) to be concluded between the EEC, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland,
- Effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (COST project 90) to be concluded between the EEC, Switzerland, Sweden

Two research projects, one on the physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants and the other on the analysis of organic micropollutants in water, had been the subject of COST projects 61a and 64b during the period 1972-76.

The agreements on the implementation of these projects were signed on 23 November 1971.

The agreement on COST project 61a "Physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants" was signed by the following countries:

Member Countries

Belgium  
 Denmark  
 Federal Republic of Germany  
 France  
 Italy  
 Netherlands  
 United Kingdom

Non-Member Countries

Austria  
 Spain  
 Greece  
 Yugoslavia

The Agreement on COST Project 64b "Analysis of organic micropollutants in water" was signed by the following countries:

Member Countries

Denmark  
 Federal Republic of Germany  
 France  
 Ireland  
 Italy  
 Netherlands  
 United Kingdom

Non-Member Countries

Spain  
 Norway  
 Portugal  
 Switzerland  
 Yugoslavia

In view of the very encouraging results obtained in these two projects and following the Council Decision of 15 March 1976 approving

a second environmental research programme and its Resolution of 17 May 1977 on a Community policy and action programme on the environment, two concerted action projects on the physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants and the analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water were adopted by the Council on 9 October 1978\*

A research programme on food technology had been proposed by the Swedish delegation to COST (European Cooperation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research).

Following the Council Decision of 16 June 1975 recognizing the interest to the Community of that programme, a concerted action project on the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs was adopted by the Council on 20 February 1978\*\*

Article 6 of each of these Decisions makes provision for the conclusion of an international agreement between the Community and the non-member States participating in COST with a view to ensuring coordination between each concerted action project and the corresponding programmes carried out in those States. The same Article authorizes the Commission to open negotiations for that purpose.

The negotiations are now completed and have culminated in the draft agreements annexed to the attached draft Council Decisions. These agreements, the terms of which are similar, provide for:

- the setting up of a Community-COST Coordinating Committee for each project;
- coordination within this Committee, secretarial services for which are provided by the Commission, between the Community project and the corresponding programmes of the non-member States.

This structure has been established on the basis of the Community-COST cooperation plan approved by the Council on 18 July 1978.

The following non-member States have expressed their desire to adhere to the agreement on a concerted action project in the field of the physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric micropollutants (COST project 61a bis): Austria, Sweden.

The following non-member States have expressed their desire to adhere to the agreement on a concerted action project in the field of the analysis of organic micropollutants in water (COST project 64b bis): Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland.

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\* OJ No L 311, 4.11.1978, pp. 6 and 10

\*\* OJ No L 54, 25.2.1978, p. 25

The following have expressed their desire to adhere to the agreement on a concerted action project on the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (COST project 90):Switzerland, Sweden.

The Commission requests the Council to adopt the three draft Decisions attached hereto.

DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION CONCERNING THE CONCLUSION  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON A CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT IN THE  
FIELD OF PHYSICO-CHEMICAL BEHAVIOUR OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS  
(COST PROJECT 61a bis)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 78/889/EEC of 9 October 1978 adopting a European Economic Community concerted project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants (1) and in particular Article 6 (1) thereof,

Having regard to the draft Decision submitted by the Commission,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 6 (2) of Decision 78/889/EEC, the Commission has negotiated an Agreement with certain non-member states involved in European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST) with a view to ensuring that the Community project and the corresponding programmes of these states are harmonised;

Whereas, therefore, this Agreement should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

The Community-COST Concertation Agreement between the European Economic Community, Austria, and Sweden

on a concerted action project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants (COST project 61a bis) is hereby

(1) OJ No L311, 4.11.1978, p.10

approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

ARTICLE 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council  
The President

COMMUNITY - COST CONCERTATION AGREEMENT  
on a concerted action project in the field  
of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants  
(COST Project 61a bis)

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The European Economic Community, hereinafter referred to as "the Community",  
Austria and Sweden,

hereinafter referred to as the "participating non-Member States",

Whereas a research project on the physico-chemical behaviour of sulphur dioxide in the atmosphere, carried out pursuant to an Agreement concluded on 23rd November 1971 in the framework of European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST Project 61a), produced very encouraging results;

Whereas a European concerted research project in the above mentioned field continuing and extending COST Project 61a, will contribute effectively to the reduction of environmental pollution;

Whereas by its Decision of 9 October 1978 the Council of the European Communities adopted a Community concerted project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants;

Whereas the Member States of the Community and the participating non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the States", intend, subject to the rules and procedures applicable to their national programmes to carry out the research described in Annex A and are prepared to integrate such research into a process of concertation which they consider will be of mutual benefit;

Whereas the implementation of the research covered by the concerted action project will require a financial contribution of approximately 9.5 million European units of account from the States,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:



ARTICLE 1

The Community and the participating non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the contracting parties", shall participate for a period extending until 3 November 1982 in a concerted action project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants.

This project shall consist in concertation between the Community concerted action programme and the corresponding programmes of the participating non-Member States. The programmes covered by this Agreement are listed in Annex A.

The States remain entirely responsible for the research executed by their national institutions or bodies.

ARTICLE 2

The concertation between the contracting parties shall be effected through a Community-COST Concertation Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".

The Committee shall draw up its rules of procedure. Its secretariat will be provided by the Commission of the European Communities, hereinafter referred to as "the Commission".

The terms of reference and the composition of this Committee are defined in Annex B.

ARTICLE 3

In order to ensure optimum efficiency in the execution of this concerted action project, a project leader shall be appointed by the Commission in agreement with the participating non-Member States.

ARTICLE 4

The maximum financial contribution by the contracting parties to the co-ordination costs shall be:

- 500,000 European units of account from the Community for a four-year period beginning on 4 November 1978,

- 22,000 European units of account from each participating non-Member State for the period referred to in the first paragraph of Article 1.

The European unit of account is that defined by the Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and by the financial arrangements adopted pursuant thereto.

The rules governing the financing of the Agreement are set out in Annex C.

#### ARTICLE 5

1. Through the Committee, the States shall exchange regularly all useful information concerning the execution of the research covered by the concerted action project. They shall also endeavour to provide information on similar research planned or carried out by other bodies. Any information shall be treated as confidential if the State which provides it so requests.
2. In agreement with the Committee the Commission shall prepare yearly progress reports on the basis of the information supplied and shall forward them to the States.
3. At the end of the concertation period, the Commission shall, in agreement with the Committee, forward to the States a general report on the execution and results of the project. This report shall be published by the Commission six months after it has been forwarded, unless a State objects. In that case the report shall be confidential and shall be forwarded on request and with the agreement of the Committee, solely, to the institutions and undertakings whose research or production activities justify access to knowledge resulting from the performance of the research covered by the concerted action project.

#### ARTICLE 6

1. Each of the contracting parties shall, after signing this Agreement, notify the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities as soon as possible of the completion of the procedures necessary under its internal provisions for the implementation of this Agreement.
2. For the contracting parties which have transmitted the notification provided for in paragraph 1, this Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following that in which the Community and at least one of the participating non-Member States transmitted these notifications.

For those contracting parties which transmit the notification after the

entry into force of this agreement, it shall come into force on the first day of the second month following the month in which the notification was transmitted.

Contracting parties which have not yet transmitted this notification at the time of entry into force of this Agreement shall be able to take part in the work of the Committee without voting rights for a period of six months following the entry into force of this Agreement.

3. For a period of 6 months following its entry into force, the Agreement shall be open for accession by the other European States which took part in the Ministerial Conference held in Brussels on 22 and 23 November 1971. The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities. A State which accedes to this Agreement shall become a contracting party within the meaning of Article 1 on the date of deposit of the instrument of accession.
4. The Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities shall notify each of the contracting parties of the deposit of the notifications provided for in paragraph 1, of the date of entry into force of this Agreement and of the deposit of the instruments of accession provided for in paragraph 3.

#### ARTICLE 7

This Agreement, drawn up in a single original in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, and Italian languages, each text being equally authentic, shall be deposited in the archives of the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Communities which shall transmit a certified copy to each of the contracting parties.

For the European Economic Community,

For the Government of the Republic of Austria

For the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden

PROGRAMMES COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

1. Studies on the conversion of atmospheric pollutants:
  - (a) laboratory studies
  - (b) field studies
  - (c) modelling
  
2. Studies on the elimination of atmospheric pollutants

TERMS OF REFERENCE AND COMPOSITION OF THE COMMUNITY - COST  
CONCERTATION COMMITTEE ON PHYSICO-CHEMICAL BEHAVIOUR  
OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS

1. The Committee shall:
  - 1.1. contribute to the optimum execution of the concerted action project by giving its opinion on all of its aspects;
  - 1.2. evaluate the results of the project and draw conclusions as to their application;
  - 1.3. ensure the exchange of information referred to in Article 5 (1) of the Agreement;
  - 1.4. suggest guidelines to the project leader.
2. The Committee's reports and opinions shall be forwarded to the States.
3. The Committee shall be composed of two delegates from the Commission; one representing the programme of direct action, the other one as coordinator of the Community concerted action, one delegate from each participating Non-Member State, one delegate from each Member State representing its national programme, and the Project Leader. Each delegate may be accompanied by experts.

FINANCING RULES

- I. The provisions lay down the financial rules referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of physico-chemical behaviour of atmospheric pollutants (COST Project 61a bis).
- II. At the beginning of each financial year, a call for funds shall be issued by the Commission to each of the participating non-Member States. Such calls for funds shall express the contribution of the non-Member State in question both in European units of account and in the currency of the participating non-Member State, the value of the European unit of account being defined in the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and determined on the date of the call for funds.

Each participating non-Member State shall pay the annual contribution under the Agreement at the beginning of each year and by 31 March at the latest. The maximum total contribution shall amount to 22,000 European units of account. Any delay in the payment of the annual contribution shall give rise to the payment of interest by the participating Non-Member States concerned at a rate equal to the highest rate of discount ruling in the States on the due date. That rate shall be increased by 0,25 of a percentage point for each month of delay. The increased rate shall be applied to the entire period of delay.

- III. The funds accruing from the contributions of participating non-Member States shall be credited to this concerted action project by being entered in the statement of revenue of the budget of the Commission as receipts within the meaning of the second sub-paragraph of Article 90(4) of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.
- IV. The provisional timetable for the co-ordination costs referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement is set out in the Annex.
- V. The Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities shall apply to the management of the appro-

priations; furthermore, the Commission shall ensure that such appropriations are managed in conformity with the rules of procedure for the implementation of the budget.

- VI. At the end of each financial year, a statement of appropriations for this project shall be prepared and transmitted to the participating non-Member States for information.



PROVISIONAL TIMETABLES FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT; PHYSICO-CHEMICAL BEHAVIOUR OF ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS  
 Budget Item 3371 "Implementation of concerted action projects"

	1979		1980		1981		1982		TOTAL	
	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP
1. Initial estimate of overall requirements (figures appearing in the timetable of commitments and in the correspondence table shown in Annex II to the Commission budget)	87.100	87.100	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
- Staff										
- Administrative operating expenditure	12.900	12.900	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
- Contracts										
TOTAL (to be covered by 3371)	100.000	100.000	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
2. Revised estimate of expenditure taking into account additional requirements arising from the accession of participating non-member States	87.100	87.100	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
- Staff										
- Administrative operating expenditure	12.900	12.900	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
- Contracts	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	44.000	44.000
3. Difference between I and II to be covered by contributions from participating non-member States	100.000	100.000	125.000	125.000	135.000	135.000	140.000	140.000	500.000	500.000
	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	44.000	44.000
	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	2x 5.500	44.000	44.000

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DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION CONCERNING THE CONCLUSION  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON A CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT IN THE  
FIELD OF ANALYSIS OF ORGANIC MICROPOLLUTANTS IN WATER  
(COST PROJECT 64b bis)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 78/888/EEC of 9 October 1978 adopting a European Economic Community concerted project in the field of analysis of organic micropollutants in water (1), and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Having regard to the draft Decision submitted by the Commission,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 6(2) of Decision 78/888/EEC, the Commission has negotiated an Agreement with certain non-member States involved in European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST) with a view to ensuring that the Community project and the corresponding programmes of these States are harmonised;

Whereas this Agreement should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

The Community-COST Concertation Agreement between the European Economic Community, Norway, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland,

on a concerted action project in the field of analysis of organic micropollutants in water (COST project 64b bis) is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text to the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

(1) OJ No L311, 4.11.1978, p.6

ARTICLE 2.

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council  
The President

COMMUNITY - COST CONCERTATION AGREEMENT  
on a concerted action project in the field  
of analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water  
(COST Project 64 b bis)

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The European Economic Community, hereinafter referred to as "the Community", Norway, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland,

hereinafter referred to as the "participating Non-Member States",

Whereas a research project on the analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water, carried out pursuant to an Agreement concluded on 23rd November 1971 in the framework of European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST project 64b), produced very encouraging results;

Whereas a European concerted research project in the above mentioned field, continuing and extending COST project 64b will contribute effectively to the reduction of environmental pollution;

Whereas by its Decision of 9 October 1978 the Council of the European Communities adopted a Community concerted project in the field of analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water;

Whereas the Member States of the Community and the participating Non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the States", intend, subject to the rules and procedures applicable to their national programmes, to carry out the research described in Annex A and are prepared to integrate such research into a process of concertation which they consider will be of mutual benefit;

Whereas the implementation of the research covered by the concerted action project will require a financial contribution of about 11 million European units of account from the States;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

#### ARTICLE 1

The Community and the participating Non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the Contracting Parties", shall participate for a period extending until 3 November 1982 in a concerted action project in the field of analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water.

This project shall consist in concertation between the Community concerted action programme and the corresponding programmes of the participating Non-Member States. The programmes covered by this Agreement are listed in Annex A.

The States remain entirely responsible for the research executed by their national institutions or bodies.

#### ARTICLE 2

Concertation between the contracting parties shall be effected through a Community-COST Concertation Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".

The Committee shall draw up its rules of procedure. Its Secretariat will be provided by the Commission of the European Communities, hereinafter referred to as "the Commission".

The terms of reference and the composition of this Committee are defined in Annex B.

#### ARTICLE 3

In order to ensure optimum efficiency in the execution of this concerted action project, a project leader shall be appointed by the Commission in agreement with the participating Non-Member States.

#### ARTICLE 4

The maximum financial contribution by the contracting parties to the co-ordination costs shall be:

- 480,000 European units of account from the Community for a four-year period beginning on 4 November 1978
- 32,000 European units of account from each participating non-Member State for the period referred to in the first paragraph of Article 1.

The European unit of account is that defined by the Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and by the financial arrangements adopted pursuant thereto.

The rules governing the financing of the Agreement are set out in Annex C.

#### ARTICLE 5

1. Through the Committee, the States shall exchange regularly all useful information concerning the execution of the research covered by the concerted action project. They shall also endeavour to provide information on similar research planned or carried out by other bodies. Any information shall be treated as confidential if the State which provides it so requests.
2. In agreement with the Committee the Commission shall prepare yearly progress reports on the basis of the information supplied and shall forward them to the States.
3. At the end of the concertation period, the Commission shall, in agreement with the Committee, forward to the States a general report on the execution and results of the project. This report shall be published by the Commission six months after it has been forwarded, unless a State objects. In that case the report shall be confidential and shall be forwarded on request

and with the agreement of the Committee, solely to the institutions and undertakings whose research or production activities justify access to knowledge resulting from the performance of the research covered by the concerted action project.

#### ARTICLE 6

1. Each of the contracting parties shall, after signing this Agreement, notify the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities as soon as possible of the completion of the procedures necessary under its internal provisions for the implementation of this Agreement.
2. For the contracting parties which have transmitted the notification provided for in paragraph 1, this Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following that in which the Community and at least one of the participating Non-Member States transmitted these notifications.

For those contracting parties which transmit the notification after the entry into force of this Agreement, it shall come into force on the first day of the second month following the month in which the notification was transmitted.

Contracting parties which have not yet transmitted this notification at the time of entry into force of this Agreement shall be able to take part in the work of the Committee without voting rights for a period of six months following the entry into force of this Agreement.

3. For a period of 6 months following its entry into force, the Agreement shall be open for accession by the other European States which took part in the Ministerial Conference held in Brussels on 22 and 23 November 1971. The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities. A State which accedes to this Agreement shall become a contracting party within the meaning of Article 1 on the date of deposit of the instrument of accession.

4. The Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities shall notify each of the contracting parties of the deposit of the notifications provided for in paragraph 1, of the date of entry into force of this Agreement and of the deposit of the instruments of accession provided for in paragraph 3.

#### ARTICLE 7

This agreement, drawn up in a single original in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German and Italian languages, each text being equally authentic, shall be deposited in the archives of the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Communities which shall transmit a certified copy to each of the contracting parties.



For the European Economic Community,

For the Government of the Kingdom of Norway,

For the Government of the Republic of Portugal,

For the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden,

For the Government of the Swiss Confederation

PROGRAMMES COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

1. Sampling and sample treatment
  - general development and evaluation of methods
  - methods for sampling sediments and indicator organisms
2. Gas chromatographic analysis
3. Coupling gas chromatographs and mass spectrometers
4. Other separation techniques
  - development of methods for liquid chromatography
  - improvement of equipment
  - other separation techniques
5. Data collection and processing
  - hard copy spectrum collection
  - establishment of a spectrum library
6. Establishment of inventories
  - inventory of pollutants
  - collection of data on conversion

ANNEX B

TERMS OF REFERENCE AND COMPOSITION OF THE COMMUNITY -  
COST CONCERTATION COMMITTEE ON ANALYSIS  
OF ORGANIC MICROPOLLUTANTS IN WATER

1. The Committee shall:
  - 1.1. contribute to the optimum execution of the concerted action project by giving its opinion on all of its aspects;
  - 1.2. evaluate the results of the project and draw conclusions as to their application;
  - 1.3. ensure the exchange of information referred to in Article 5(1) of the Agreement;
  - 1.4. suggest guidelines to the project leader.
  
2. The Committee's reports and opinions shall be forwarded to the States.
  
3. The Committee shall be composed of two delegates from the Commission; one representing the programme of direct action, the other one as coordinator of the Community concerted action, one delegate from each participating Non-Member State, one delegate from each Member State representing its national programme, and the Project Leader. Each delegate may be accompanied by experts.

## FINANCING RULES

- I. These provisions lay down the financial rules referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of analysis of organic micro-pollutants in water (COST project 64b bis).
- II. At the beginning of each financial year, a call for funds shall be issued by the Commission to each of the participating non-Member States. Such calls for funds shall express the contribution of the Non-Member State in question both in European units of account and in the currency of the participating Non-Member State, the value of the European unit of account being defined in the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and determined on the date of the call for funds. Each participating Non-Member State shall pay the annual contribution under the Agreement at the beginning of each year and by 31 March at the latest. The maximum total contribution shall amount to 32,000 European units of account. Any delay in the payment of the annual contribution shall give rise to the payment of interest by the participating Non-Member States concerned at a rate equal to the highest rate of discount ruling in the States on the due date. That rate shall be increased by 0.25 of a percentage point for each month of delay. The increased rate shall be applied to the entire period of delay.
- III. The funds accruing from the contributions of participating Non-Member States shall be credited to this concerted action project by being entered in the statement of revenue of the budget of the Commission as receipts within the meaning of the second sub-paragraph of Article 90 (4) of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.
- IV. The provisional timetable for the co-ordination costs referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement is set out in the Annex.

- V. The Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities shall apply to the management of the appropriations; furthermore, the Commission shall ensure that such appropriations are managed in conformity with the rules of procedure for the implementation of the budget.
- VI. At the end of each financial year, a statement of appropriations for this project shall be prepared and transmitted to the participating Non-Member States for information.

Budget Item 3371 "Implementation of concerted action projects" ANNEX TO ANNEX C  
 PROVISIONAL TIMETABLES FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT: ANALYSIS OF ORGANIC MICROPOLLUTANTS IN WATER

	1979		1980		1981		1982		TOTAL	
	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP
1. Initial estimate of overall requirements (figures appearing in the timetable of commitments and in the correspondence table shown in Annex II to the Commission budget)										
- Staff										
- Administrative operating expenditure	63.000	63.000	121.050	121.050	126.750	126.750	106.200	106.200	480.000	480.000
- Contracts	14.000	14.000	48.900	48.900						
TOTAL (to be covered by 3371)	126.000	126.000	121.050	121.050	126.750	126.750	106.200	106.200	480.000	480.000
2. Revised estimate of expenditure taking into account additional requirements arising from the accession of participating non-member State										
- Staff										
- Administrative operating expenditure	63.100	63.100	121.050	121.050	126.750	126.750	106.200	106.200	480.000	480.000
- Contracts	14.000	14.000	48.900	48.900						
	48.900	48.900								
	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	128.000	128.000
	126.000	126.000	121.050	121.050	126.750	126.750	106.200	106.200	480.000	480.000
	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	128.000	128.000
3. Difference between I and II to be covered by contributions from participating non-member States										
	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	4x 8.000	128.000	128.000

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DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION CONCERNING THE CONCLUSION  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON A CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT  
IN THE FIELD OF THE EFFECT OF  
PROCESSING ON THE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF FOODSTUFFS  
(COST PROJECT 90)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 78/177/EEC of 20 February 1978 adopting a European Economic Community concerted project in the field of the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (1), and in particular Article 6 (1) thereof,

Having regard to the draft Decision submitted by the Commission,

Whereas, pursuant to Article 6(2) of Decision 78/177/EEC, the Commission has negotiated an Agreement with certain non-member states involved in European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST) with a view to ensuring that the Community project and the corresponding programmes of these states are harmonised;

Whereas, therefore, this Agreement should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS;

ARTICLE 1

The Community-Cost Concertation Agreement between the European Economic Community, Sweden, and Switzerland,

on a concerted action project in the field of the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (COST project 90) is hereby

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approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

ARTICLE 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President



COMMUNITY - COST CONCERTATION AGREEMENT

on a concerted action project on the effect  
of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs  
(COST Project 90)

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The European Economic Community, hereinafter referred to as "the Community", Sweden and Switzerland,

hereinafter referred to as the "participating Non-Member States",

Whereas a European concerted research project in the field of food technology is likely to contribute effectively to a more economic use of natural resources;

Whereas a programme of research in the field of food technology has been proposed by the Swedish delegation within European Cooperation in the field of Scientific and Technical Research (COST);

Whereas by its Decision of 20 February 1978 the Council of the European Communities adopted a Community concerted project on the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs;

Whereas the Member States of the Community and the participating Non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the States", intend, subject to the rules and procedures applicable to their national programmes, to carry out the research described in Annex A and are prepared to integrate such research into a process of concertation which they consider will be of mutual benefit;

Whereas the implementation of the research covered by the concerted action project will require a financial contribution of approximately 9 million European units of account from the States;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

The Community and the participating Non-Member States, hereinafter referred to as "the contracting parties", shall participate for a period extending until 24 February 1981 in a concerted action project on the effect of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs.

This project shall consist in concertation between the Community concerted action programme and the corresponding programmes of the participating Non-Member States. The programmes covered by this Agreement are listed in Annex A.

The States remain entirely responsible for the research executed by their national institutions or bodies.

ARTICLE 2

The concertation between the contracting parties shall be effected through a Community-COST Concertation Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee".

The Committee shall draw up its rules of procedure. Its Secretariat will be provided by the Commission of the European Communities, hereinafter referred to as "the Commission".

The terms of reference and the composition of this Committee are defined in Annex B.

ARTICLE 3

In order to ensure optimum efficiency in the execution of this concerted action project, a project leader shall be appointed by the Commission in agreement with the participating Non-Member States.

ARTICLE 4

The maximum financial contribution by the contracting parties to the co-ordination costs shall be:

- 250,000 European units of account from the Community for a three year period beginning on 25 February 1978.
- 10,000 European units of account from each participating Non-Member State for the period referred to in the first paragraph of Article 1.

The European unit of account is that defined by the Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and by the financial arrangements adopted pursuant thereto.

The rules governing the financing of the Agreement are set out in Annex C.

ARTICLE 5

1. Through the Committee, the States shall exchange regularly all useful information concerning the execution of the research covered by the concerted action project. They shall also endeavour to provide information on similar research planned or carried out by other bodies. Any information shall be treated as confidential if the State which provides it so requests.
2. In agreement with the Committee the Commission shall prepare yearly progress reports on the basis of the information supplied and shall forward them to the States.
3. At the end of the concertation period, the Commission shall, in agreement with the Committee, forward to the States a general report on the execution and results of the project. This report shall be published by the Commission six months after it has been forwarded, unless a State objects.

In that case the report shall be confidential and shall be forwarded on request and with the agreement of the Committee, solely to the institutions and undertakings whose research or production activities justify access to knowledge resulting from the performance of the research covered by the concerted action project.

#### ARTICLE 6

1. Each of the contracting parties shall, after signing this Agreement, notify the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities as soon as possible of the completion of the procedures necessary under its internal provisions for the implementation of this Agreement.
2. For the contracting parties which have transmitted the notification provided for in paragraph 1, this Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following that in which the Community and at least one of the participating Non-Member States transmitted these notifications.

For those contracting parties which transmit the notification after the entry into force of this Agreement, it shall come into force on the first day of the second month following the month in which the notification was transmitted.

Contracting parties which have not yet transmitted this notification at the time of entry into force of this Agreement shall be able to take part in the work of the Committee without voting rights for a period of six months following the entry into force of this Agreement.

3. For a period of 6 months following its entry into force, the Agreement shall be open for accession by the other European States which took part in the Ministerial Conference held in Brussels on 22 and 23 November 1971.

The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities.

A State which accedes to this Agreement shall become a contracting party within the meaning of Article 1 on the date of deposit of the instrument of accession.

4. The Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities shall notify each of the contracting parties of the deposit of the notifications provided for in paragraph 1, of the date of entry into force of this Agreement and of the deposit of the instruments of accession provided for in paragraph 3.

#### ARTICLE 7

This Agreement, drawn up in a single original in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German and Italian languages, each text being equally authentic, shall be deposited in the archives of the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Communities which shall transmit a certified copy to each of the contracting parties.

For the European Economic Community,

For the Government of the Swiss Confederation,

For the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden

ANNEX A

PROGRAMMES COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

1. Rheology of liquid foods (viscosity):

- 1.0. no particular product
- 1.1. milk products
- 1.2. sugar products
- 1.3. cereal products
- 1.4. fruit products

2. Sorption (water activity):

- 2.0. no particular product
- 2.2. sugar products
- 2.4. fruit products
- 2.6. meat products

3. Thermal properties:

- 3.0. no particular product
- 3.4. fruit products
- 3.5. vegetable products
- 3.6. meat products
- 3.7. fish products

ANNEX B

TERMS OF REFERENCE AND COMPOSITION OF THE COMMUNITY -  
COST CONCERTATION COMMITTEE ON  
THE EFFECT OF PROCESSING ON THE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF FOODSTUFFS

1. The Committee shall:
  - 1.1. contribute to the optimum execution of the concerted action project by giving its opinion on all of its aspects
  - 1.2. evaluate the results of the project and draw conclusions as to their application;
  - 1.3. ensure the exchange of information referred to in Article 5 (1) of the Agreement;
  - 1.4. suggest guidelines to the project leader;
  - 1.5. have the right to set up, in respect of each of the three physical properties defined in ANNEX A, a sub-Committee to ensure that the programme is properly implemented.
2. The Committee's reports and opinions shall be forwarded to the States.
3. The Committee shall be composed of one delegate from the Commission, as co-ordinator of the Community concerted action project, one delegate from each participating Non-Member State, one delegate from each Member State representing its national programme, and the project leader. Each delegate may be accompanied by experts.



## FINANCING RULES

- I. These provisions lay down the financial rules referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of processing on the physical properties of foodstuffs (COST project 90)
  
- II. At the beginning of each financial year, a call for funds shall be issued by the Commission to each of the participating Non-Member States. Such calls for funds shall express the contribution of the Non-Member State in question both in European units of account and in the currency of the participating Non-Member State, the value of the European unit of account being defined in the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities and determined on the date of the call for funds.

Each participating Non-Member State shall pay the annual contribution under the Agreement at the beginning of each year and by 31 March at the latest. The maximum total contribution shall amount to 10,000 European units of account. Any delay in the payment of the annual contribution shall give rise to the payment of interest by the participating Non-Member States concerned at a rate equal to the highest rate of discount ruling in the States on the due date. That rate shall be increased by 0.25 of a percentage point for each month of delay. The increased rate shall be applied to the entire period of delay.

- III. The funds accruing from the contributions of participating Non-Member States shall be credited to this concerted action project by being entered in the statement of revenue of the budget of the Commission as receipts within the meaning of the second sub-paragraph of Article 90(4) of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities.

ANNEX C

- IV. The provisional timetable for the co-ordination costs referred to in Article 4 of the Agreement is set out in the Annex.
  
- V. The Financial Regulation in force applicable to the general budget of the European Communities shall apply to the management of the appropriations; furthermore, the Commission shall ensure that such appropriations are managed in conformity with the rules of procedure for the implementation of the budget.
  
- VI. At the end of each financial year, a statement of appropriations for this project shall be prepared and transmitted to the participating Non-Member States for information.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLES FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE CONCERTED ACTION PROJECT: PROCESSING ON THE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF FOODSTUFFS  
 ANNEX TO ANNEX C  
 Budget Item 3371 "Implementation of concerted action projects"

	1978		1979		1980		TOTAL	
	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP	AC	AP
1. <u>Initial estimate</u> of overall requirements (figures appearing in the timetable of commitments and in the correspondence table shown in Annex II to the Commission budget)								
- Staff	77.000	73.500	35.500	35.500	89.000	92.500	250.000	250.000
- Administrative operating expenditure			48.500	48.500				
- Contracts								
TOTAL (to be covered by 3371)	77.000	73.500	84.000	84.000	89.000	92.500	250.000	250.000
2. <u>Revised estimate</u> of expenditure taking into account additional requirements arising from the accession of participating non-member State								
- Staff								
- Administrative operating expenditure			35.500	35.500	89.000	92.500	250.000	250.000
- Contracts			48.500	48.500			20.000	20.000
			2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000		
			84.000	84.000	89.000	92.000	250.000	250.000
			2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000	20.000	20.000
3. Difference between I and II to be covered by contributions from participating non-member States			2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000	2x 5.000	20.000	20.000

AC: Account Credited AP: Account Paid

