COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

COM(84) 143 final

Brussels, 13 March 1984

AMENDED PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL DECISION

ADOPTING A PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INDIGENOUS

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL RESEARCH CAPACITY IN THE DEVELOPING

COUNTRIES

(1984-87)

(submitted to the Council by the Commission pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 149 of the EEC Treaty)

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On 10 June 1983 the Commission presented to the Council a proposal for a decision adopting a programme of assistance for the development of indigenous scientific and technical research capacity in the developing countries (1984-87) (COM(83)354 final).

On 16 December 1983 the European Parliament, which had been consulted by the President of the Council in a letter dated 11 July 1983, adopted a resolution approving this proposal, provided that the Commission made the amendments as set out in the Annex hereto.

The Commission hereby amends its initial proposal, pursuant to Article 149(2) of the Treaty establishing the EEC, incorporating the changes proposed by the Parliament, and presents to the Council those amendments as set out in the Annex hereto.

II

(Preparatory Acts)

COMMISSION

Amendments to the proposal for a Council Decision on the adoption of a programme of assistance for the development of indigenous scientific and technical research capacities in the developing countries (1984 to 1987) (*)

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(Submitted by the Commission to the Council pursuant to Article 149 (2) of the EEC Treaty on 19 March 1984)

(84/C 88/11)

ORIGINAL PROPOSAL

AMENDED PROPOSAL

No changes in the preamble or in recitals 1 to 6

Whereas, in consequence, the Community should help the developing countries to strengthen and extend over the long term their scientific and technical research capacities;

Whereas, in consequence, the Community should help the developing countries to strengthen and extend over the long term their scientific and technical research capacity, particularly those which are the most advantageous for rural development and health;

Whereas it is desirable to take appropriate measures to avoid any duplication of research and encourage the most exhaustive exchanges of information between research institutes;

Whereas the development of research capacities, in order to take account of the guidelines of Community development assistance policy, must cover six sectors (1): agriculture, environment, health, population, energy and underground resources;

Whereas the development of research capacity, in order to take account of the guidelines of Community development assistance policy, must cover seven sectors (1): agriculture, environment, health, population, energy and underground resources, it being understood that the introduction of small-scale industrial technology, particularly that connected with agricultural development, is of particular importance;

No changes in recitals 9 or 10

Whereas, in view of the sparse population of certain developing countries and the fact that some of them have to face common problems, priority should be given to a regional approach to certain aspects of research;

^(*) OJ No C 180, 7. 7. 1983, p. 7.

⁽¹) Proposals for a European scientific and technical strategy. Framework programme 1984 to 1987. COM(82) 865 final, p. 67.

No changes in recitals 11 or 12

No changes in Articles 1 or 2

Article 3

The Commission shall carry out the programme. It shall be assisted in its task by an advisory committee, established by Commission Decision and made up of experts from the Member States and the developing countries.

The Committee's function shall be to keep the Commission informed of the scientific and technical needs of the developing countries and to help it to establish and subsequently evaluate the guidelines and results of the programme.

Article 3

The Commission shall carry out the programme. It shall be assisted in its task by the two advisory committees which have already been established by Article 3 of the Council Decision of 3 December 1982 concerning the research and development programme 'Science and Technology for Development', convened on an ad hoc basis.

The Committees' function shall be to inform the Commission and help it establish and subsequently evaluate the guidelines and results of the programme.

No changes in Articles 4 or 5

ANNEX

Title unchanged

No changes in Section A

- B. The programme covers six main sectors:
- B. The programme covers seven main sectors:

No changes in points 1 to 6

7. Industrial technology, particularly that concerning the processing of agricultural products and the manufacture of agricultural inputs, based on small-scale industry and artisan activities in rural areas.

No changes in Section C

- D. The programme will be implemented in agreement with the beneficiary countries, following an assessment of needs.
- D. The programme will be implemented in agreement with the beneficiary countries, following an assessment of needs, due account being taken in order to avoid duplication of research concurrently carried out on the subject and available in other parts of the world.

No changes in Section E