

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amendment to the proposal for a  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)  
on Community aid for industrial restructuring ~~and~~  
conversion operations

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Amendment to the proposal for a  
COUNCIL DECISION  
on Community aid for restructuring or conversion investments  
in the shipbuilding industry

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Amendment to the proposal for a  
COUNCIL DECISION  
on Community aid for restructuring or conversion investments  
in the textile industry, particularly in the  
man-made fibres industry

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

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Explanatory memorandum

The Commission sent a proposal for a regulation relating to Community intervention measures for industrial restructuring and conversion operations to the Council on 31 October 1978<sup>1</sup>. Under the terms of this Regulation the Community must be given the opportunity to grant appropriate financial aids to undertakings' investment programmes, thus facilitating the structural changes necessary to overcome the crisis in certain sectors.

The European Parliament delivered its Opinion on this proposal at the time of its session of 26 April 1979. The Commission closely examined the remarks made in this Opinion and decided to give effect to the proposed amendment to the second paragraph of Article 1.

This amendment aims at introducing a requirement for the European Parliament's Opinion to be obtained before the Council can decide on those sectors to which aids may be granted.

The Commission takes the view that this amendment must be extended to include the Economic and Social Committee in the consultation process.

This amendment, introduced into the abovementioned proposal for a Regulation, also requires an amendment<sup>2</sup> to the two proposals for Decisions recently sent to the Council<sup>2</sup> to enable the ship-building industry and the textile industrie, particularly the man-made fibres industry sectors to benefit from the financial aids provided for by the Regulation.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ C 272 of 16.11.1978, page 3.

<sup>2</sup> OJ.....(COM(78)769 of 11.1.1979).

- 1) Amendment to the proposal for a Regulation on Community aid for industrial restructuring and conversion operations<sup>1</sup>.

The second paragraph of the first Article of the proposal for a Regulation is amended as follows :

- the Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission and on the Opinion of the European Parliament and of the Economic and Social Committee, shall decide, by a qualified majority on those sectors to which aid may be granted.

- 2) Amendment to the proposal for a Council Decision on Community aid for restructuring or conversion investments in the ship-building industry<sup>2</sup>.

This proposal is amended by the following addition after the third citation :

"Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament,  
Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,"

- 3) Amendment to the proposal for a Council Decision on Community aid for restructuring or conversion investments in the textile industry, particularly in the man-made fibres industry<sup>2</sup>.

This proposal is amended by the following addition after the third citation :

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Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,"

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