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SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES IN FAVOUR OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

The Commission has adopted two decisions concerning supplementary measures in favour of the United Kingdom. They provide for a new financial contribution from the Community to public works programmes in the UK, amounting to 556 964 000 ECU (around £316 million). This brings the total amount provided for the supplementary measures in favour of the United Kingdom to 1 437 584 000 ECU (around £816 million).

This new grant consists of 181 461 000 ECU (£103m) for a road-building programme throughout the UK and 375 503 000 ECU (£213m) in extra funds for seven public works programmes for which aid has already been granted. These seven programmes are located in the North of England, the North West of England, the South West of England, Yorkshire and Humberside, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Attached is a list of the supplementary measures implemented so far in favour of the United Kingdom. The aggregate cost represents the total resources available for this purpose for the programmes financed by the United Kingdom's Budget for 1980/81. Further supplementary measures in favour of the United Kingdom are planned in the form of aid for public works financed from the 1981/82 Budget.

The latest decisions include a Community contribution towards the M25 orbital motorway around London, the A45 Ipswich bypass, the M54 from Telford to the M6 and the A40 Gloucester Northern bypass.

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REGIONAL TOTALS TO DATE (fm)*

| | Northern England | North West England | South West | t Yorkshire/ Humberside | Scotland | Wales | Northern Ireland | Roads | Total |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|
| Roads | 17.2 | 27.7 | - | 9.8 | 38.0 | 41.7 | 26.4 | • | 160.8 |
| Rail | 10.0 | 17.3 | 3.8 | 20.4 | 25.1 | 7.3 | 1.2 | - | 85.0 |
| Water and sewerage | 21.0 | 24.9 | 5.6 | 23.6 | - | 9.4 | 11.3 | - | 95.8 |
| Advance factories | - | 0.9 | - | - | 7.5 | 12.7 | 2.7 | - | 23.7 |
| Land reclamation | - | - | - | - | 3.7 | - | 0.3 | - | 4.0 |
| Telecommunications | 34.5 | 67.4 | 14.1 | 71.1 | 57.9 | 46.6 | 33.9 | - | 325.4 |
| Housing | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18.6 | - | 18.6 |
| Roads | ~ | - | - | - | - | - | - | 103.1 | 103.1 |
| Total | 82.7 | 138.2 | 23.5 | 124.9 | 132.2 | 117.8 | 94.4 | 103.1 | 816.5 |

^{*}At 1 ECU = 56.8p