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TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS No 28/81 (compulsory expenditure)

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TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS No 28/81 (Non-compulsory expenditure)

ECU

FROM CHAPTER 101 -	CONTINGENCY RESERVE	1 500 000			
		Appropriations for commitment	Appropriations for payment		
TO CHAPTER 37 -	EXPENDITURE IN THE INDUSTRIAL AND TRANSPORT SECTORS				
Article 370 -	Operations in the data-processing sector				
Item 3703 -	Community operations connected with the development of telematics and microelectronics technology	1 500 000	1 500 000		

The Financial Controller approved this proposal on 2 October 1981 in accordance with Article 21(4) of the Financial Regulation and certified that the appropriations are available.

GROUNDS

The purpose of the INSIS (Interinstitutional information system) project is to establish an information system for the Community institutions and those government departments in the Member States which are most concerned with Community activities.

This system, which will increase the efficiency of the Community, will use the new information technologies best suited to its needs.

The purpose of the specification work and pilot projects is to establish medium— and long-term objectives and draw up the general specifications which will enable them to be achieved.

This programme should lead to the Commission proposing to the Council in 1982 a decision on the definition of detailed specifications and the development and entry into service of the first phase of the interinstitutional system.

All this work is being carried out in collaboration with the other institutions and relevant departments in the Member States.

The aims of the interinstitutional information system are twofold. On the one hand, the use of electronic technology will improve the management of the Community's workload, in particular by improving facilities for the exchange of and access to information — this can only increase the operational efficiency of the institutions. In addition, the introduction of an operational system integrating all the new services offered to the user will inevitably have effects both on telecommunications administrations by encouraging the integration of communications network infrastructures and on industry in the Community and its ability to meet outside competition.

The purpose of CADDIA (Cooperation in automation of data and documentation for imports, exports and agriculture) is to enable the Commission and the Member States to cooperate to improve the processing of data concerned with imports and exports and the management and financial control of the agricultural market organizations. At present, a lot of information required for the management of the customs union and the common agricultural policy is exchanged by letter, by telex or on tapes, and it has to be converted on arrival so that it can be used in the data-processing systems operated by the Member States and the Commission.

The Commission now intends to undertake some preliminary investigations including an analysis of users' real needs, demonstrations of network feasibility, a thorough examination of the problems involved in the standardization of communication and exchange protocols, the validation of standards and the installation of infrastructure to test network interfaces.

The appropriations required to carry out the various activities in these two sectors are as follows:

		Com	nitments	(1981)	in ECU
INS	Table 1979				
1.	Operating requirements of INSIS users	320	000		
2.	Promotion of new technologies to INSIS users	40	000		
3.	Demonstration of telecommunications network feasibility	92	000		*
4.	Standardization of communication and exchange protocols	75	000	, 1	
5.	Validation of standards	75	000		
6.	Installation of infrastructure to test network interfaces	150	000		
7.	Workshop on human and organizational problems in the introduction of new information technologies	100	000		
8.	Engagement of three consultants	20	000		
CA	DDIA (Customs union)			87	2 000
1.	Pilot projects on the computerization of customs data	276	000		
	Community transit inspection system				
	Exchange of urgent data	(1) (1) (1)	A CONTRACTOR OF THE STATE OF TH	27	6 000
CA	DDIA (Agriculture)				
1.	Standardization of messages and control of structures and codes	174	000		
2.	Exchange of urgent data	87	000		
3.	EAGGF "outline" pilot project	4	000		
4.	Computerization of agriculture communications	50	000		
5•	Processing of texts for market management committees	_37	000	352	000
	TOTAL ITEM 3703			1 500	

The budgetary authority is requested to authorize the transfer of 1 500 000 ECU in commitment appropriations and payment appropriations from Chapter 101 (Contingency reserve) to Item 3703 (Community operations connected with the development of telematics and microelectronics technology), which had no appropriations entered in the 1981 budget.

APPROPRIATIONS IN CHAPTER 101 ON 29 SEPTEMBER 1981

Amount entered in the 1981 budget: 5 000 000 ECU

Transfers authorized			
Article	Amount in ECU		
210	129 000		
213	524 000		
217	12 000		
262	900 000		
930	500 000		
Total	2 065 000		

Amount available: 2 935 000 ECU