

# COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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From Chapter 100: Provisional appropriations

Appropriations for commitment: 2 000 000 EJA

Appropriations for payment: 1 000 000 EJA

To Chapter 37: Expenditure in the industrial and transport sectors

Article 370: Projects in the data-processing sector

Item 3702: Community projects for the development of data-processing

Appropriations for commitment: 2 000 000 EJA

Appropriations for payment: 1 000 000 EJA

The Financial Controller has approved this proposal, attesting that the appropriations are available at 20 September 1979.

APPROPRIATIONS IN CHAPTER 100  
AT 18 SEPTEMBER 1979

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	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR COMMITMENT	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR PAYMENT
1. Total allocation	439 206 000	351 774 200
2. Appropriations already transferred	94 791 000	42 971 200
3. Appropriations now in course of transfer	nil	nil
4. Appropriations still entered in Chapter 100	344 415 000	308 803 000

Reasons

Acting on a Commission proposal, the Council decided on 11 September 1979 (OJ L 231 of 13 September 1979) to authorize the financing of projects proposed under a multiannual programme to improve competitiveness in the data-processing sector and to promote the development of data-processing in accordance with its Resolution of 15 July 1974.

This programme calls for the following action to be taken:

- (a) Standardization measures,
- (b) Coordination in the field of public procurement,
- (c) Collaboration between research centres,
- (d) Studies on the state of the data-processing sector, the effects on employment and legal protection for computer programs,
- (e) Community grants to the industry or users with a view to developing software products and applications,
- (f) Studies in the field of peri-informatics and micro-electronic technology.

The estimated cost of these measures over four years is 25 m EUA, of which 2 m EUA in appropriations for commitment and 1 m EUA in appropriations for payment for 1979.

The following activities could already be launched before the end of 1979:

- (a) Two or three studies on "the state of the industry" (200 000 EUA),
- (b) Studies for the preparation of the proposed micro-electronic programme (300 000 EUA),
- (c) Once agreement has been obtained from the Advisory Committee, two projects under the system of support for the development of applications: EDP communication system between ports (1 100 000 EUA) and a hydrological study (400 000 EUA).

Expenditure is to be charged to Item 3702 (Community projects for the development of data-processing). At present, there is only a token entry against this item.

In order to cover the estimated expenditure for 1979, 2 m EUA in appropriations for commitment and 1 m EUA in appropriations for payment must be transferred from Chapter 100 (No 18) to Item 3702 of the Budget for 1979.