

COMMISSION

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

of 22 February 1982

to the Italian Republic concerning measures to improve the transport of goods
by rail to and from Italy

(82/172/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Whereas major difficulties are occasionally evident in
the running of rail transport links with Italy and, prin-
cipally, with import traffic destined for Italy;

Whereas the Community has an interest in improving
this situation because of the effects of current difficul-
ties on trade in goods between Member States and,
more particularly, in North-South traffic flows;

Whereas solutions to this problem are to be found as
much in the form of short-term measures as in that of
programmes for long-term action and investment;

Having noted the measures already taken in this
respect by the Italian Government, and the adoption
of a multi-annual programme of investment in the
Italian railways (F.S.) (programma integrativo) involving
a global expenditure of more than Lit 12 000 billion,

HEREBY RECOMMENDS:

Article 1

The Italian Republic is invited to continue its
measures in the most effective manner possible to find
a solution to the problems existing in respect of rail
transport operations between Italy and the other
Member States, notably the North-South traffic link,
and to take into consideration when carrying out the
'programma integrativo' for the F.S. the fact that
measures relating to rail transport to and from
Community States should have priority.

Article 2

The Italian Government is invited to inform the
Commission of the measures taken to give effect to
the present recommendation.

Done at Brussels, 22 February 1982.

For the Commission

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