

**CONCLUSIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND OF THE MINISTERS FOR HEALTH,
MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL**

of 3 December 1990

concerning cardio-vascular disease in the Community

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OF THE MEMBER STATES, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL,

1. note that cardio-vascular disease is one of the main causes of death in all the Member States of the Community, particularly in the working population;
2. consider that a number of preventive measures have already been put in hand for cancer and that these measures have an effect in preventing cardio-vascular disease;
3. consider that further measures should be identified and implemented;
4. call upon the Commission to investigate the best way of facilitating exchange of information and cooperation on national measures, including in the field of research and means of diagnosis, obtaining to that end the assistance of experts and of representatives appointed by the Member States and to report to the Council on the outcome of that investigation.

In carrying out this work the Commission should, in order to avoid duplication, take account of the work of other bodies in this area, particularly the WHO.

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on the safety of food and drink and water intended for human consumption

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Whereas, with the single market in prospect, the regulatory innovations so far introduced into Community rules under the Single European Act must be developed further to ensure the reasonable protection of public health in a system based on free movement of foodstuffs;

Whereas, whenever Community harmonization is lacking or inadequate, the diversity of national legislation

frequently gives rise to difficulties in trade and, at any rate, to an increase in disputes and may have adverse repercussions on public health protection;

Recognize that the chief task of the Community in this situation is to take coordinated and thorough action to adopt as soon as possible, and at all events by the end of 1992, effective rules, particularly in priority sectors where a high level of health protection has to be attained;