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## COMMISSION

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Currency amount for one unit:

Belgian and		United States dollar	1,25905
Luxembourg franc	42,2757	Canadian dollar	1,50645
Danish krone	7,93892	Japanese yen	166,383
German mark	2,05439	•••	,
Greek drachma	241,901	Swiss franc	1,89298
	-	Norwegian krone	8,02013
Spanish peseta	128,565	Swedish krona	7,40609
French franc	6,91469		,
Irish pound	0,769965	Finnish markka	5,58136
Italian lira	1545,29	Austrian schilling	14,4576
Dutch guilder	2,31224	Icelandic krona	73,7802
Portuguese escudo	171,986	Australian dollar	1,67716
Pound sterling	0,700054	New Zealand dollar	2,34241

The Commission has installed a telex with an automatic answering device which gives the conversion rates in a number of currencies. This service is available every day from 3.30 p.m. until 1 p.m. the following day. Users of the service should do as follows:

- call telex number Brussels 23789;

- give their own telex code;

-- type the code 'cccc' which puts the automatic system into operation resulting in the transmission of the conversion rates of the ecu;

- the transmission should not be interrupted until the end of the message, which is marked by the code 'ffff'.

Note: The Commission also has an automatic telex answering service (No 21791) providing daily data on calculation of monetary compensatory amounts for the purposes of the common agricultural policy.

Commission Decision No 3334/80/ECSC of 19 December 1980 (OJ No L 349, 23. 12. 1980, p. 27).

Council Regulation (EEC) No 3308/80 of 16 December 1980 (OJ No L 345, 20. 12. 1980, p. 1).

<sup>(1)</sup> Council Regulation (EEC) No 3180/78 of 18 December 1978 (OJ No L 379, 30. 12. 1978, p. 1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1971/89 (OJ No L 189, 4. 7. 1989, p. 1).

Council Decision 80/1184/EEC of 18 December 1980 (Convention of Lomé) (OJ No L 349, 23. 12. 1980, p. 34).

Financial Regulation of 16 December 1980 concerning the general budget of the European Communities (OJ No L 345, 20. 12. 1980, p. 23).

Decision of the Council of Governors of the European Investment Bank of 13 May 1981 (OJ No L 311, 30. 10. 1981, p. 1).

#### Communication from the Commission of the European Communities to companies in the ECSC

(92/C 117/02)

#### (Article 48 of the ECSC Treaty)

In a letter to the chairman of the Consultative Committee of the ECSC, the Commission asked the committee to undertake the consultation laid down in Article 55 (2) (c) of the ECSC Treaty concerning the desirability of allocating the following aid aimed at facilitating technical research.

Pursuant to Article 48 of the Treaty, associations of companies in the ECSC are entitled to submit to the Commission, before the final decision to support these projects is taken, any observations made by the members concerning undermentioned subjects of consultation.

Any observation should be received by the Commission before 30 May 1992.

#### **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

		Aid in ECU
1.	Improvement of coke quality and controlling of coke characteristics at high injection rates of pulverized coal	627 000
2.	Production of reducing gases from fatal by-product gases	495 300
3.	Effect of unburnt coal residues on blast furnace bosh operation	189 300
4.	Reduction of iron ore with hydrogen or reducing gas rich in hydrogen under environmental aspects	503 700
5.	Iron ore reduction in a fluidized bed with hydrogen containing gases	367 634
6.	Investigation of sticking mechanisms during reduction of iron ore/coal mixtures in a fluidized bed reactor	240 900
7.	Development of new systems and materials for high temperature filtration of recovery gases	626 100
8.	Development of a mathematical model of parameters controlling injectant behaviour	227 148
9.	Continuous temperature measurement of the melt in the converter	276 000
10.	Use of plasma coating on refractory materials for slide gate valves	298 500
11.	Utilization of fine-grained steel slags for mineral sealing products — laboratory and practical investigation	211 800
12.	Minimization of iron losses to the BOS plant waste gas cleaning system	263 978
13.	New methods for recycling of organic/metallic coated steel scrap	148 305
14.	CFD model for gas and fluid flow in the steel converter	217 412

		Aid in ECU
15.	Evaluation of MgO content in vacuum ladle furnace slags to control $H_2$ , $O_2$ and S levels and refractory wear	315 900
16.	Study of the thermomechanical stresses developed in refractory products and brickwork for the optimization of steel ladle linings	495 900
17.	Optical sensing of temperature and stirring conditions in ladle furnaces	258 029
18.	Improvements to vacuum degasser operation	152 657
19.	Continuous casting of steel wires	414 000
20.	Mathematical model of a full-size plant for direct casting of 200-1 000 mm-wide thin strip using twin roll casting with lateral steel supply	371 700
21.	Determination of strand surface temperature in continuous casting	414 310
22.	Induction heating of refractory materials in continuous casting of steel	286 800
23.	Electromagnetic side containment in continuous casting of strip using the belt-roll process	237 900
24.	Development of new steel level control strategies in the continuous cast slab mould using a multi-sensor system	350 100
25.	Mechanical soft reduction of continuous cast long products during solidification	416 400
26.	Analysis of solidification process in continuous strip casting through thermo-fluid dynamics modelling	273 900
27.	Electromagnetic containment of liquid steel in mould of twin roll continuous strip caster	586 800
28.	New method of descaling	369 000
29.	Improved accuracy of beam sections	305 400
30.	Adhesion test at high temperatures on scales formed on low-carbon steel	203 100
31.	Improving the thermal quality of slabs	586 800
32.	Hot co-rolling for plating long products	469 500
33.	Looperless rolling in hot strip finishing mills	540 900
34.	High strength hot- and cold-rolled strips with superior formability obtained by transformation-induced plasticity	396 300
35.	High productivity rolling of thin products in a hot strip mill	255 600
36.	Transfer and wear of roughness in final stand of cold rolling mill	408 900
37.	Development of a high frequency active vibration damping system for cold reduction mills	196 253

		Aid in ECU
38.	Upgrading of iron-containing steel mill solid wastes from continuous pickling line for use in ceramics, glazes, glasses and pigments	448 828
39.	Impact of strip shape on strip tracking	430 733
40.	Improving microstructure and mechanical properties during direct rolling of thin slabs using modified thermomechanical treatments	289 500
41.	Computer-assisted modelling of hot deformation of steels	536 700
42.	Development of a model for hot strip rolling of duplex and non-oriented magnetic steels	563 400
43.	FE modelling of deformation and microstructure in multipass rolling	333 658
44.	Ultrasonic prototype unit for testing hot, continuously cast slabs	455 700
45.	On-line measuring techniques for determining the optical charac- teristics of stainless cold-rolled strip	249 900
46.	Inspection of working rolls in a hot strip mill	348 900
47.	On-line diagnostics of components of a sinter plant	469 500
48.	Quality control of continuously cast long products	407 100
49.	Development of a laser-based, ultrasonic measuring and test device for use in plant	466 500
50.	Residual stress mapping of austenitic stainless steels	134 400
51.	Improved quantitative microanalysis of steels by EDX-SEM	124 200
52.	Application of PDA spectrometry for the analysis of steel products	360 900
53.	Surface analysis of non-conducting coatings by radiofrequency glow discharge lamp spectrometry	349 200
54.	Evaluation of glow discharge mass spectrometry (GDMS) for steel analysis	227 210
55.	Improvement of the in-plant measurement systems of oxide inclusions for the production of clean steel	266 240
56.	Local application of very low yield strength consumables	498 000
57.	Toughness of welded joints	281 700
58.	Brittle fracture-toughness assessment of HSLA steel welded joints	408 900
59.	Mathematical modelling of cold extrusion and forging of steel long products	415 995
60.	Mechanisms of crack initiation in the HAZ	195 600
61.	Crack propagation mechanisms in corrosion fatigue	215 400
62.	The influences of stable particles on weld HAZ structures and properties	125 175

		Aid in ECU
63.	Investigation of the corrosion of zinc- and polymer-coated steel	200 700
64.	Adherence and ageing mechanisms of polymer-coatings	191 700
65.	Stress corrosion cracking in low-alloy steels	84 600
66.	High performance organic treatment for coated steel sheet	499 800
67.	Effect of stannous tin adsorption on the electro-chemical behaviour of iron in anaerobic slightly acidic media — application to the corrosion of tin plate	284 100
68.	Development and verification of a new mathematical model of hydrogen solubility and permeation in structural steels	229 324
69.	Mechanisms of sulphide stress cracking corrosion in wet, sour gas media. Application to pipeline steels of very high grades	485 700
70.	Real surface condition of stainless steels and corrosion resistance behaviour	567 600
71.	Improving the corrosion resistance of stainless steels by modification of passive films	364 953
72.	Stainless steel coloration study: optimization of two dry surface treatment processes	517 970
73.	Stress corrosion cracking of weldable microalloyed steels	475 119
74.	Coloured stainless steel for coil coating	352 200
75.	Factors controlling resistance to SSCC in welded linepipe	151 930
76.	Effect of cathodic protection on corrosion fatigue properties of welds	163 963
77.	Corrosion data for life-cycle costing in applications of stainless steels	366 426
78.	Ultrasonic techniques for reducing the environmental impact of pickling	205 985
79.	Improved steels for high-speed machining	346 500
80.	Hardened steel with 1 000 MPa strength for cold forming	240 300
81.	Study of recrystallization texture in silicon-iron	637 200
82.	Simulation of transformation cycles of steel	274 500
83.	Influence of P, Al, B elements on the behaviour of hot-working X 38 CrMoV 5 1 (1.2343) steel	197 400
84.	Investigation to optimize the parameters of $CO_2$ laser cutting of stainless steel substrates as a base for the creation of standards	522 608
85.	Development of material science/technological solutions for producing grain-orientated, semi-processed magnetic strip	551 700
86.	Stainless steels and alloys for use in flue gas scrubbers	364 200

		Aid in ECU
87.	Study of diffusion of silicon vapour phase deposited on magnetic steel sheet	371 700
88.	Coatings for colouring and better corrosion properties for stainless steels	248 914
89.	Fatigue strength of spot welded stainless steel components for railway carriages under operational loading conditions	470 700
90.	Improvement of the mechanical behaviour of body components by specific choices of the steel sheet grade and manufacturing parameters	463 200
91.	Improvement of the formability of coated sheets by non-permanent coating treatments	481 800
92.	Improvement of the properties of use of galvanneal coated sheets	626 100
93.	Corrosion resistance properties of aluminized strip for catalytic exhaust systems	626 100
94.	Thickness control of hot dip coating of steel	254 400
95.	Production and properties of novel alloy electrolytic coatings on steels	465 575
96.	Modelling and verification of forming of coated thin steel sheet products	276 338
97.	On-line monitor of curing state of organic coatings on steel strip	139 116
<b>9</b> 8.	Rapid assembly techniques for precoated steels	145 200
99.	Strength/ductility relationships in ultra high strength sheet steels	106 872
100.	Laser welding of sub-assemblies before forming	318 300
101.	Laser welding with filler metal	382 500
102.	Evaluation of the fatigue behaviour of TMCP structural steels for off-shore applications	352 200
103.	Fracture behaviour of girth welds in high strength high YS/TS ratio line pipe steels	299 700
104.	Effect of residual stress and welded attachment thickness on fatigue of welded joints	154 738
105.	The competitive threat to fixed steel platforms — phase 2	262 260
106.	The influence of low carbon equivalents and low sulphur levels on the allowable welding and bending procedures	240 300
107.	Plastic design requirements for high-strength steel frame works	347 400
108.	Buckling curves of hot rolled H steel sections submitted to fire	44 100
109.	Buckling curves of hot rolled H steel sections submitted to fire	203 100

		Aid in ECU
110.	Double skin composite construction for submerged tube tunnels (Phase 2) (P2650 continued)	93 300
111.	Plastic design for high strength steel frameworks	398 100
112.	Wide-span support-free flooring	388 200
113.	Analysis of the stiffening effect of building panels in seismic and aeolian conditions	391 200
114.	Buckling curves in case of fire, M-N interaction (Part III) (see P2955 & P2956)	84 600
115.	Joint market development study for structural steels in Europe	200 000

### PILOT/DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

1.	Reduction of fine ore and steel plant dusts in a circulating fluidized bed (Part 1)	3 355 250
2.	Direct steel making — Feasibility study	1 000 000
3.	Valorisation of steel works wastes containing Zn, Pb and iron oxides using hydrometallurgy	1 442 400
4.	The cyclone converter furnace (Part 1)	3 586 500
5.	Industrial feasibility demonstration of a highly automated refractory bricklaying system for steel vessels	1 821 719
6.	Electromagnetic nozzle for production of high alloy steel wire difficult to obtain by cold forming	452 000
7.	Development of a fully closed continuous casting machine for the high-speed casting of prime quality steels	1 251 750
8.	Pilot plant for thin sheet coating	3 072 800
9.	Production of foils by electroforming (PP146 - complement)	237 000
10.	Development of an automatic and intelligent system for on-line inspection and control of crane metallic cables by remote control in the steel industry	544 184

#### 1991 PROJECTS CARRIED OVER

1.	Advanced modelization for blast furnace control	651 300
2.	On-line detection system for small inhomogeneities in cold-rolled steel strip (Phase I)	126 300
3.	Novel surface treatments of strip for the formation of protective coatings (Part 2)	174 800

#### RESERVE LIST

		Aid in ECU
1.	Direct recycling of zinc-contaminated BOF Filter dusts and sludges	372 300
2.	Expert system for improved operation of steelworks pollution control plant	122 941
3.	Metal recovery by treatment of rinse water from electrolytic strip galvanizing	448 200
4.	Investigation of skinpass rolling of metallic-coated steel strip	275 100
5.	Real time radiography of steel sheet for non-metallic inclusions (Phase 2)	229 318
6.	High temperature and acid corrosion of stainless steel	500 400
7.	Organic coatings for corrosion protection of coated sheet	310 200
8.	Simplified version of Eurocode 4 for current composite building design	192 000
9.	Reduction of fine ore and steel plant dusts in a circulating fluidized bed (Part 2)	2 281 000
10.	The cyclone converter furnace (Part 2)	1 120 250
11.	Demonstration of the application of strand vibration on a commercial billet casting plant to improve continuously cast product structures (Phase 1)	280 408

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(Preparatory Acts)

## COMMISSION

Amendment to the proposal for a Council Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to speed-limiting devices or similar speed-limiting systems fitted to certain categories of motor vehicle (1)

#### (92/C 117/03)

COM(92) 78 final - SYN 349

(Submitted by the Commission pursuant to Article 149 (3) of the EEC Treaty on 26 March 1992)

The following new recital should be inserted after the sixth recital:

"Whereas it is reasonable and useful, as part of the Drive programme, to conduct research activities on an intelligent cruise control;".

Article 5 becomes Article 4. The date '1 October 1992' becomes '1 January 1993'.

Article 6 becomes Article 5. The date of '1 October 1993' becomes '1 January 1994'.

The following new paragraph is added at the end of Article 5:

'From 1 October 1994 Member States may prohibit the first placing in service of vehicles the speedlimiting devices of which do not meet the requirements of this Directive.' Annex I is amended as follows:

- Item 1.1, second paragraph, should read as follows:

'Motor vehicles the maximum design speed of which is less than the speed laid down in Directive ../.../EEC (<sup>1</sup>) on the fitting and use of speedlimiting devices by certain categories of motor vehicle within the Community are not required to be fitted with a speed-limiting device or system.

(1) 8046/91 - COM(91) 291 final.'

- Item 7.2.1 should read as follows:

'For the various categories of motor vehicle restricted speed V shall be established in accordance with Directive ...../EEC.'

<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 229, 4. 9. 1991, p. 5.

Amended proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 75/129/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to collective redundancies (1)

(92/C 117/04)

#### COM(92) 127 final

(Submitted by the Commission pursuant to Article 149 (3) of the EEC Treaty on 31 March 1992)

The left-hand column contains the text of the existing Directive (75/129/EEC) combined with the proposal for a Directive amending it (COM(91) 292 final).

Unchanged

The right-hand column contains the amendments now proposed by the Commission.

(<sup>1</sup>) OJ No C 310, 30. 11. 1991, p. 5.

ORIGINAL TEXT

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 100 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament,

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee,

Whereas the Community Charter of the Fundamental Social Rights of Workers states in paragraph 7 that 'the completion of the internal market must lead to an improvement in the living and working conditions of workers in the European Community ... The improvement must cover, where necessary, the development of certain aspects of employment regulations such as procedures for collective redundancies';

Whereas paragraphs 17 and 18 also state that 'information, consultation and participation for workers must be developed along appropriate lines, taking account of the practices in force in the various Member States ... Such information, consultation and participation must be implemented in due time, particularly ... in cases of collective redundancy procedures';

Whereas Directive 75/129/EEC (1) promoted the harmonization of the relevant national laws by requiring employers who are contemplating collective redundancies to inform and consult workers' representatives with a view to reaching an agreement and to notify the competent public authorities;

Whereas, as the establishment of the internal market is resulting in a growing concentration of undertakings across national frontiers, the decisions leading to collective redundancies may be taken by an undertaking other than the employer;

Whereas Directive 75/129/EEC should therefore be revised so as to ensure that the existing information, consultation and notification requirements are complied with irrespective of whether the decision leading to collective redundancies is taken by the employer, by the controlling untertaking or by the central administration of an undertaking of which the employer is part;

Whereas, with a view to ensuring that this Directive has the desired effect, account should not be taken of any defence on the ground that the employer was not provided in time with the relevant information by the controlling undertaking which takes the decision leading to collective redundancies;

Whereas the information and consultation rights of workers laid down by Directive 75/129/EEC should also apply to crews of sea-going vessels unless they benefit from equivalent protection, and to cellective redundancies effected where an establishment's activities are terminated as a result of a judicial decision; PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Whereas employers must comply with the obligations arising from the Directive when the stipulated quantitative thresholds are reached, whether as a result of redundancy or in the event of job reductions requiring the undertaking to terminate employment contracts in other ways;

Unchanged

Whereas, in view of the technical complexity of the matters in respect of which workers' representatives are to be informed and consulted, they should have the right to call on the assistance of experts;

Whereas it is desirable that workers' representatives should also be informed and consulted on social measures to facilitate the rehabilitation and redeployment of workers to be made redundant;

Whereas a number of clarifications and amendments are required in respect of the timing and objectives of consultations and the nature of the information to be supplied to workers' representatives and to the public authorities, reflecting, *inter alia*, the corresponding provisions of Council Directive 77/187/EEC (<sup>1</sup>) and ILO Convention 158 and Recommendation 166;

Whereas, in order to allow for more flexibility with respect to small undertakings, Member States need not provide for workers' representatives in establishments employing less than 50 workers;

Whereas it is necessary to provide for appropriate measures to ensure the enforcement of obligations laid down by this Directive and in particular for judicial procedures to render null and void collective redundancies effected without compliance with the abovementioned obligations;

Whereas Directive 75/129/EEC should be amended accordingly,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

#### SECTION I

#### Definitions and scope

Article 1

- 1. For the purposes of this Directive:
- (a) collective redundancies means dismissals effected by an employer for one or more reasons not related to the individual workers concerned, where, according to the choice of the Member States, the number of redundancies is:

- either, over a period of 30 days,

- 1. at least 10 in establishments normally employing more than 20 and less than 100 workers,
- 2. at least 10 % of the number of workers in establishments normally employing at least 100 but less than 300 workers,
- 3. at least 30 in establishments normally employing 300 workers or more,

Unchanged

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Unchanged

<sup>(</sup>a) collective redundancies means all instances in which employment contracts are terminated on the employer's initiative for one or more reasons not related to the individual workers concerned where, according to the choice of the Member States, the number of such instances is:

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 61, 5. 3. 1977, p. 26.

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- or, over a period of 90 days, at least 20, whatever the number of workers normally employed in the establishments in question.
- (b) workers' representatives means the workers' representatives provided for by the laws or practices of the Member States.
- (c) employer means any natural or legal person who has an employment relationship with the worker.
- 2. This Directive shall not apply to:
- (a) collective redundancies effected under contracts of employment concluded for limited periods of time or for specific tasks, except where such redundancies take place prior to the date of expiry or the completion of such contracts;
- (b) workers employed by public administrative bodies or by establishments governed by public law (or, in Member States where this concept is unknown, by equivalent bodies);
- (c) the crews of sea-going vessels, inasmuch as the special regime covering them provides protection equivalent to that resulting from this Directive.

3. Member States need not apply Article 4 to collective redundancies resulting from the termination of an establishment's activities where that is the result of a judicial decision.

#### SECTION II

#### Information and consultation

#### Article 2

1. Where an employer is contemplating collective redundancies, he shall begin consultations with the workers' respresentatives in good time with a view to reaching an agreement.

2. These consultations shall, at least, cover ways and means of avoiding collective redundancies or minimizing the number of workers affected, and mitigating the consequences.

2. These consultations shall, at least, cover ways and means of avoiding collective redundancies or minimizing the number of worker affected, and mitigating the consequences. Workers' representatives may call on the assistance of technical experts.

3. To enable the workers' representatives to make constructive proposals the employer shall supply them in good time with all relevant information and shall in any event give in writing the reasons for the projected redundancies, the number of workers normally employed, the employer's proposals with regard to the number and categories of workers to be made redundant, the criteria proposed for the selection of the workers to be made redundant and the calculation of any redundancy payments, and the period over which the projected redundancies are to be effected.

The employer shall forward to the competent public authority a copy of all the written communications referred to in the preceding subparagraph.

4. The obligations laid down in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 shall apply irrespective of whether the decision regarding collective redundancies is being taken by the employer or by an undertaking controlling the employer.

In considering alleged breaches of the information, consultation and notification requirements laid down by this Directive, account shall not be taken of any defence of the grounds that the necessary information has not been provided by the undertaking which took the decision leading to collective redundancies.

5. For the purposes of implementation of this Directive, Member States need not provide for workers' representatives in respect of establishments normally employing less than 50 workers. In such cases, Member States shall ensure that employers are obliged to supply in good time to the workers affected by the projected collective redundancies the same information as is required to be given to workers' representatives under paragraph 3.

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3. To enable the workers' representatives to make constructive proposals the employer shall, in good time, during the consultations:

- (a) supply them with all relevant information and
- (b) in any event give in writing:
  - the reasons for the projected redundancies,
  - the number and categories of workers to be made redundant,
  - the number and categories of workers normally employed,
  - the criteria proposed for the selection of the workers to be made redundant,
  - the period over which the projected redundancies are to be effected,
  - the method of calculating any redundancy payments,
  - accompanying social measures geared, *inter alia*, to assisting the rehabilitation, redeployment and social and vocational reintegration of the workers to be made redundant.

Unchanged

#### SECTION III

#### Procedure for collective redundancies

#### Article 3

1. Employers shall notify the competent public authority in writing of any projected collective redundancies.

This notification shall contain all relevant information concerning the projected collective redundancies and the consultations with workers' representatives provided for in Article 2, and particularly the reasons for the redundancies, the number of workers to be made redundant, the number of workers normally employed and the period over which the redundancies are to be effected.

2. Employers shall forward to the workers' representatives a copy of the notification provided for in paragraph 1.

The workers' representatives may send any comments they may have to the competent public authority.

#### Article 4

1. Projected collective redundancies notified to the competent public authority shall take effect not earlier than 30 days after the notification referred to in Article 3 (1) without prejudice to any provisions governing individual rights with regard to notice of dismissal.

Member States may grant the competent public authority the power to reduce the period provided for in the preceding subparagraph.

2. The period provided for in paragraph 1 shall be used by the competent public authority to seek solutions to the problems raised by the projected collective redundancies.

3. Where the initial period provided for in paragraph 1 is shorter than 60 days, Member States may grant the competent public authority the power to extend the initial period to 60 days following notification where the problems raised by the projected collective redundancies are not likely to be solved within the initial period.

Member States may grant the competent public authority wider powers of extension.

The employer must be informed of the extension and the grounds for it before expiry of the initial period provided for in paragraph 1.

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#### SECTION IV

#### Final provisions

#### Article 5

This Directive shall not affect the right of Member States to apply or introduce laws, regulations or administrative provisions which are more favourable to workers or to promote or allow the application of collective agreements more favourable to workers.

#### Article 5a

Member States shall ensure that judicial procedures exist for the enforcement of obligations under this Directive at the suit of the workers' representatives and workers and in particular procedures rendering null and void the collective redundancies concerned, notwithstanding the availability of recourse to other procedures.

#### Article 6

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 31 December 1992, or shall ensure that the social partners establish the necessary provisions through agreement, subject to the obligation on Member States to take all the necessary measures to guarantee compliance at all times with the requirements of this Directive.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the texts of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

When Member States adopt the provisions referred to in paragraph 1, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The procedure for such reference shall be adopted by Member States.

3. Member States shall immediately inform the Commission of the measures adopted to comply with this Directive.

#### Article 7

Within two years following expiry of the two-year period laid down in Article 6, Member States shall forward all relevant information to the Commission to enable it to draw up a report for submission to the Council on the application of this Directive.

#### Article 8

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

III

#### (Notices)

## COMMISSION

#### EUROPEAN ECONOMIC INTEREST GROUPING

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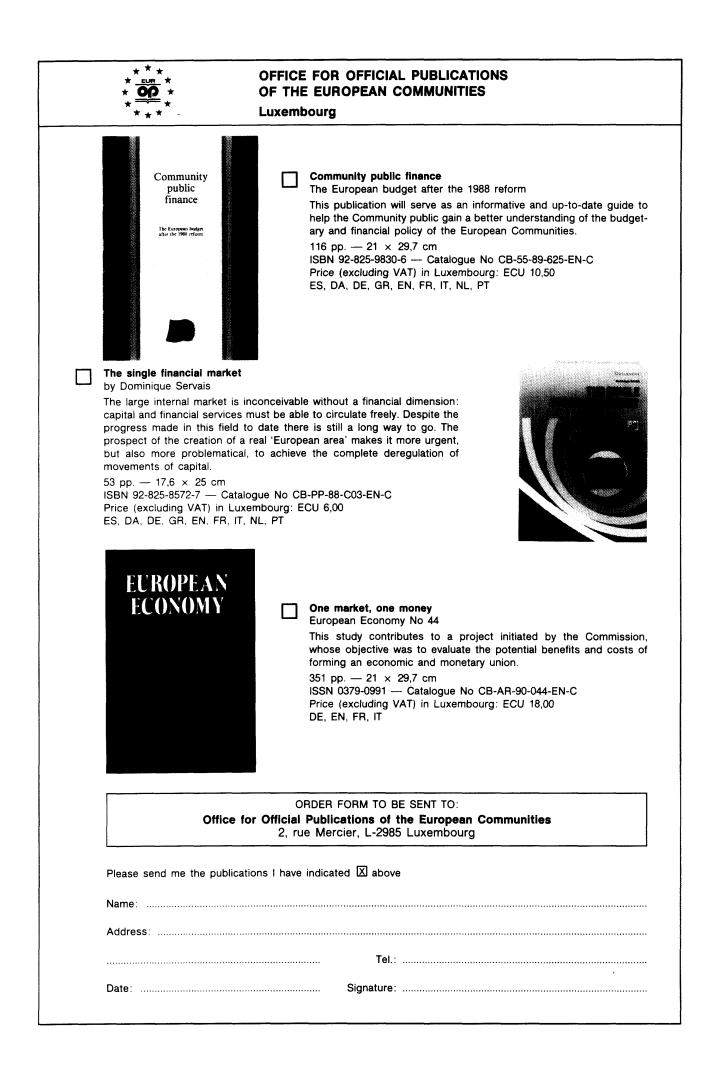
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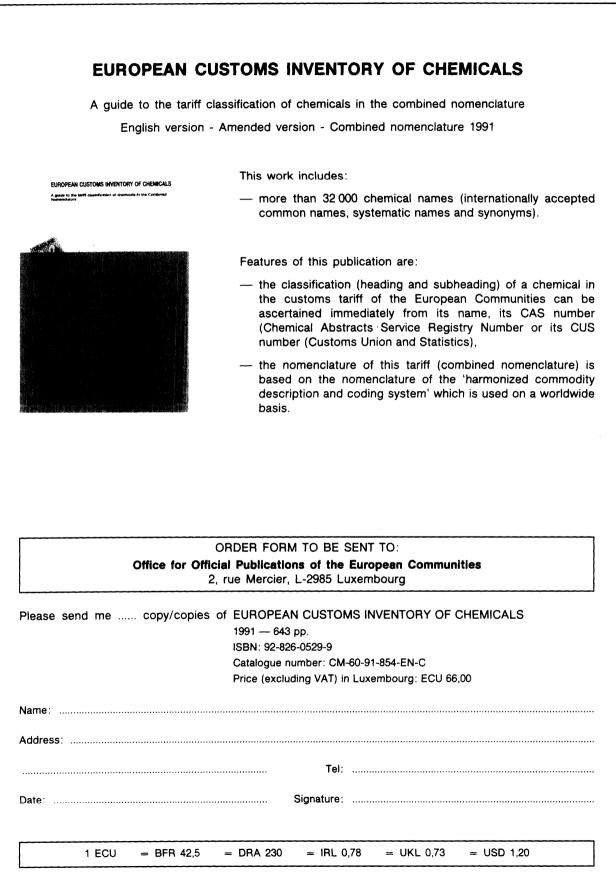
<sup>(&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ No L 199, 31. 7. 1985, p. 1.





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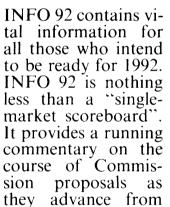
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