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I

(Information)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 20 September 2005

appointing the Greek members and alternate members of the Advisory Committee on Social Security for Migrant Workers

(2005/C 242/01)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 of 14 June 1971 on the application of social security schemes to employed persons, to self-employed persons and to members of their families moving within the Community ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 82 thereof,

Having regard to the lists of candidates submitted to the Council by the Governments of the Member States,

Whereas:

- (1) By its Decision of 4 October 2004 ⁽²⁾ the Council appointed the members and alternate members of the Advisory Committee on Social Security for Migrant Workers for the period from 23 September 2004 to 22 September 2006, with the exception of the Greek members and alternate members.
- (2) The Greek Government has submitted candidates for the seats to be filled,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The following are hereby appointed members and alternate members of the Advisory Committee on Social Security for Migrant Workers for the term of office expiring on **23 September 2006**:

I. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Country	Members	Alternates
Greece	Ms Theodora TSOSOROU Ms Anna RIZOU	Mr Spyridon TSIANTIS

⁽¹⁾ OL L 149, 5.7.1971, p. 2. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1945/93 (OJ L 181, 23.7.1993, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ OJ C 12, 18.1.2005, p. 9.

II. TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES

Country	Members	Alternates
Greece	Mr Marinos DIMITRAKOPOULOS Mr Apostolos KOKKINOS	Mr Evangelos KOKOSSIS

III. REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYERS' ORGANISATIONS

Country	Members	Alternates
Greece	Mr Lambros PAPAÏOANNOU Mr C. GIANNOULOPOULOS	Mr G. CHATZIS

Done at Brussels, 20 September 2005.

For the Council
The President
M. BECKETT

COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾**30 September 2005**

(2005/C 242/02)

1 euro =

Currency		Exchange rate	Currency		Exchange rate
USD	US dollar	1,2042	SIT	Slovenian tolar	239,52
JPY	Japanese yen	136,25	SKK	Slovak koruna	38,79
DKK	Danish krone	7,4624	TRY	Turkish lira	1,623
GBP	Pound sterling	0,68195	AUD	Australian dollar	1,5828
SEK	Swedish krona	9,3267	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,4063
CHF	Swiss franc	1,5561	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	9,3412
ISK	Iceland króna	74,12	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,7414
NOK	Norwegian krone	7,877	SGD	Singapore dollar	2,0353
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9559	KRW	South Korean won	1 254,96
CYP	Cyprus pound	0,5732	ZAR	South African rand	7,6765
CZK	Czech koruna	29,553	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	9,7444
EEK	Estonian kroon	15,6466	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,433
HUF	Hungarian forint	249,61	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	12 391,22
LTL	Lithuanian litas	3,4528	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,5389
LVL	Latvian lats	0,696	PHP	Philippine peso	67,465
MTL	Maltese lira	0,4293	RUB	Russian rouble	34,334
PLN	Polish zloty	3,9185	THB	Thai baht	49,44
RON	Romanian leu	3,5603			

⁽¹⁾ Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

Information relating to the entry into force of the Agreement for cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy between the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan

(2005/C 242/03)

The Agreement for cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy between the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan ⁽¹⁾, entered into force on 1 August 2004.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 269 of 21.10.2003, p. 9.

Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty
Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2005/C 242/04)

(Text with EEA relevance)

Date of adoption of the decision: 14.7.2004

Member State: Ireland

Aid No: N 143/2004

Title: Public Service Obligation — Electricity Supply Board (ESB)

Objective: to ensure the security of electricity in Ireland (power generation)

Legal basis: Electricity Regulation Act 1999 (Public Service Obligations) Order

Budget: depending on the actual costs incurred, approximately EUR 70 million is estimated for the whole duration of the PSO

Duration: from 19 February 2005 until the completion of two generation facilities to be built on the basis of the PSO in respect of new electricity generation capacity (State aid No N 475/2003), expected operation dates are November 2005 and January 2006

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids/

Date of adoption of the decision: 12.8.2005

Aid No: N 362/2005

Member State: Cyprus

Title in original language: Amendment of scheme for protection of environment (CY6/2004)

Legal basis: Απόφαση Υπ. Συμβουλίου 61.790, 30.3.2005

Objectives: Regional development — Environmental protection (all)

Overall aid amount planned: CYP 7 900 000

Duration: 31.12.2005

Other information: Aid scheme — Direct grant

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids/

Date of adoption of the decision: 20.7.2005

Member State: Netherlands

Aid No: N 185/2005

Title: Aid to Vietnam (BV Scheepswerf Damen Gorinchem)/Grant

Objective: Development aid

Legal basis: Schenking vanuit het gebonden hulpfinancieringsprogramma ORET/Miliev

Budget: EUR 11 585 875

Aid intensity or amount: 35 %

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids/

Date of adoption of the decision: 1.6.2005

Aid No: N 553/2004

Member State: France

Title in original language: Exonération d'impôt sur les sociétés en faveur des sociétés créées pour reprendre une entreprise industrielle en difficulté

Legal basis: Article 44 septies du Code général des impôts

Objective: Regional development (Small and medium-sized enterprises)

Economic sectors: limited to the manufacturing industry

Annual expenditure planned (in millions of national currency): EUR 50

Aid intensity or amount: 65 %

Duration: 2004 to 2006

Other information:

1. Type of measure: aid scheme
2. Form of aid: tax advantage
3. Name and address of the granting authority: Direction générale des impôts

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids/

Date of adoption of the decision: 22.9.2004

Member State: Slovakia

Aid No: SK 5/2004

Title: Reduction of a tax concession granted by Slovakia to US Steel Kosice

Objective: To reduce a tax concession

Legal basis: Point 4.2 of Annex XIV to the 2003 Act of Accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia (OJ L 236 of 23 September 2003) and Act No 366/1999 Coll. On Income Tax in Slovakia

Budget: USD 430 million

Duration: End of the fiscal year 2009 or until the aid reaches a pre-determined amount, whichever comes first

Other information:

1. Pursuant to Article 88(1) of the EC Treaty, the Commission has decided to propose appropriate measures in respect of State aid case No SK 5/04 — Slovakia: Reduction of a tax concession granted by Slovakia to US Steel Kosice. Slovakia has accepted these measures.
2. Additionally, US Steel Kosice is required to make a tax payment of USD 32 million to the Slovak government, to be paid in two equal instalments during 2004 and 2005

The authentic text(s) of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/secretariat_general/sgb/state_aids/

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case COMP/M.3966 — Pirelli RE/Banca Intesa/Ifil/Marcegaglia/SI/IT)****Candidate case for simplified procedure**

(2005/C 242/05)

(Text with EEA relevance)

1. On 23 September 2005, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽¹⁾ by which the undertakings Pirelli & C. Real Estate S.p.A. ('Pirelli RE', Italy) Banca Intesa S.p.A. ('Banca Intesa', Italy), IFIL Investissements S.A. ('IFIL', Luxembourg), Marcegaglia S.p.A. ('Marcegaglia', Italy) and Sviluppo Italia S.p.A. ('Sviluppo Italia', Italy) acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Council Regulation joint control of the undertaking Italia Turismo S.p.A. ('IT', Italy), currently jointly controlled by Banca Intesa, IFIL, Marcegaglia and Sviluppo Italia, by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Pirelli RE: real estate services and investments;
- Banca Intesa: holding of a banking and financial group;
- Ifil: holding company of a group active in different sectors, including tourism (through the Alpitour group);
- Marcegaglia: mainly active in steel manufacturing;
- Sviluppo Italia: Italian agency for enterprise and inward investment development;
- IT is charged with the task of the development of tourism in underused areas. Currently it owns and rents to tour operators several tourist villages in the South of Italy.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ⁽²⁾ it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (No (32-2) 296 43 01 or 296 72 44) or by post, under reference number COMP/M.3966 — Pirelli RE/Banca Intesa/Ifil/Marcegaglia/SI/IT, to the following address:

European Commission
Directorate-General for Competition
Merger Registry
J-70
B-1049 Brussels

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case COMP/M.3952 — System Capital Management - Metinvest/Leman Commodities)**

(2005/C 242/06)

(Text with EEA relevance)

On 19 September 2005, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- from the Europa competition web site (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/cases/>). This web site provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website under document number 32005M3952. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to European law. (<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex>)

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case COMP/M.3941 — Advent/CCS)**

(2005/C 242/07)

(Text with EEA relevance)

On 26 September 2005, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- from the Europa competition web site (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/cases/>). This web site provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
 - in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website under document number 32005M3941. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to European law. (<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex>)
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Non-opposition to a notified concentration
(Case COMP/M.3927 — Industri Kapital/Bonna Sabla)

(2005/C 242/08)

(Text with EEA relevance)

On 20 September 2005, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- from the Europa competition web site (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/cases/>). This web site provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website under document number 32005M3927. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to European law. (<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex>)

Non-opposition to a notified concentration
(Case COMP/M.3911 — Benq/Siemens Mobile)

(2005/C 242/09)

(Text with EEA relevance)

On 7 September 2005, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- from the Europa competition web site (<http://europa.eu.int/comm/competition/mergers/cases/>). This web site provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
 - in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website under document number 32005M3911. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to European law. (<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex>)
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III

(Notices)

COMMISSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS — DG EAC No 51/05

Call for proposals relating to support for bodies active at European level in the field of youth

(2005/C 242/10)

1. OBJECTIVES AND DESCRIPTION

Decision No 790/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 established a Community action programme to promote bodies active at European level in the field of youth. Heading 15.07.01.02 (ex A-3029) of the general budget of the European Communities provides for support for such bodies.

This call for proposals relates to grants to be awarded for the year 2006 (1 January to 31 December). The grants are intended primarily to strengthen Community action in the field of youth and increase its effectiveness by promoting the bodies working in this field.

The programme supports the permanent activities of bodies pursuing an aim of general European interest in the field of youth or an objective which is part of the European Union's policy in that area.

These activities must contribute, or be capable of contributing, to the active participation of young citizens in public life and society and to the development and implementation of Community cooperation actions in the field of youth in the broad sense.

These activities must, in particular, relate to the subjects mentioned in the Commission's White Paper on '*a New Impetus for European Youth*' ⁽¹⁾.

In 2006, priority will be given to politically visible initiatives concerning the **participation of young people in the process of European construction**.

2. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Applications meeting the criteria below will be considered in detail.

2.1. Eligible organisations

In order to benefit from funding, an organisation must:

- have been legally established for more than one year;
- be non-governmental;

⁽¹⁾ COM(2001) 681 final, <http://europa.eu.int/comm/education/youth.html>

- be non-profit-making;
- be a youth organisation, or one having a broader scope but including a section dedicated to youth;
- receive cofinancing amounting to at least 50 % of its total annual budget from sources other than the European Union budget;
- include, among its own staff, at least one permanent person.

2.2 Eligible countries

Applications from legal entities established in one of the following countries are eligible:

- **European Union (EU):** Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, Sweden, United Kingdom, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Finland, Greece, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Slovenia;
- **EFTA countries in the EEA:** Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway;
- **Candidate countries:** Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey.

The Commission has the option of selecting a proposal from an applicant from an EFTA/EEA country or a candidate country, provided that, on the date of selection, agreements have been signed setting out the arrangements for the participation of these countries in the programme established by Decision No 790/2004/EC.

Applicant organisations must have active members in at least **eight of the countries** listed above.

3. BUDGET AVAILABLE

The total budget earmarked for the cofinancing of bodies active at European level in the field of youth is estimated at EUR **2 420 000** for 2006. The financial assistance from the Commission cannot exceed **50 % of the total operating costs approved by the Commission**.

The maximum Community grant per organisation will be EUR **35 000**.

4. DEADLINE

Applications must be sent to the Commission no later than **1 December 2005**.

5. FULL INFORMATION

The full text of the call for proposals and the application forms are available on the Europa site at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/youth/program/ingyo_en.html

Grant applications must comply with the provisions of the full text and be submitted using the form specifically intended for this purpose.
