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N° : 358

I. THE COMPANY

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Applicant : IDELUX and MAGOLUX, S.A.

Registered Office : Arlon and Messancy (Belgium)

Parent companies applicants : a) For IDELUX  
Social shares are held by the Communes of the Region (95%), the Province of Luxembourg (3.5%), individual and group shareholders (1.5%).  
b) For MAGOLUX S.A.  
Fonderies Magotteaux S.A. (Vaux-sous-Chèvremont) Chaud-Fontaine (53%) (Belgium) et S.R.I.W. Namur (Belgium) (47%).

Recipients : IDELUX, Arlon (Belgium) and MAGOLUX S.A. at Messancy (Belgium) are joint co-debitors. The loan is intended to find the "Land and Buildings" part of the investment, which will be leased to MAGOLUX by IDELUX.

Field of activity of recipients : IDELUX : Co-operative Company, Association of local authorities (Communes) for the economic development of the Province.  
MAGOLUX : produces articles with sound use resistance, particularly in cement works and crushing industries, refractory steels with high alloy content.

## II. THE PROJECT

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Description : Building a factory for the manufacture of goods designed essentially for crushers (1). The factory will also produce :

- spouts and shoots and refractory steels with high heat and use resistance intended for cement ovens and coolers;
- large size sluices used in brass foundry (for employment in chemical, oil and gas industries;
- refractory steel chains for use in cement ovens.

<u>Cost</u> (million BF)	: Land	}	201.5	
	: Buildings	}		
	: Plant and machinery		269.5	
	: Other		-	
	: Total		<u>471.0</u>	(+ 10.43 MioECU)

Schedule : End 1982 building the factory  
End 1983 installation and finalising of plant  
End 1983 production starts

Market : Export 95% of which 40% Member countries of the EEC (Fed.Rep. : 15%; France : 10%; United Kingdom : 7%; Italy : 5%; other countries : 3%)  
and 55% to other countries (Gulf countries : 20%; Latin America : 5%; Non-EEC European countries - Austria and Northern countries : 7%; Eastern Europe-Hungary especially : 3%; East Asia-Korea and Japan : 10%; Africa : 10%).

Environment : Environmental protection measures in accordance with current legislation

The sectoral and competition aspects of the project have been closely examined ; they do not militate against the granting of the loan applied for.

The project appears to be economically sound ; it will make a significant contribution to the redevelopment of the region which is suffering the effects of a decline in ECSC industries.

(1) Crushers - ball milling  
- beater instruments for electricity power stations  
- for track levelling or shingle crushing  
- bimetal mallets for crushing copper, iron, zinc, lead, etc.

III. THE REGION

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Project location : Messancy (Province of Luxembourg), Belgium

Unemployment rate : 7.3% end December 1981  
(O.N.E.M. statistics)

National aid status of project area : Development area

The ECSC industry has been an important source of employment in the area.

IV. CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 56 OF THE ECSC TREATY

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ECSC redundancies in project area : 2,092 (1974 to June 1981) - steel \*

Jobs to be created by the project : 220

Training : By Magotteaux Foundries S.A. at Vaux-sous-Chèvremont (Liège Province) and in situ at Messancy (Province of Luxembourg) in collaboration, where appropriate, with the O.N.E.M.

The Commission considers that the application complies with Article 56 (2a) of the ECSC Treaty and that the new jobs to be created by the project are capable of absorbing redundant ECSC workers into productive employment.

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\* Source "Groupement des Hauts-Fourneaux et Aciéries Belges".

V. CONVERSION LOAN

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Loan applied for : 201.5 million FB

Loan to be granted : The Commission has approved a loan of  
FB.201.5 million (about 4.46 MioECU)  
or equivalent to the above mentioned  
company in accordance with Article 56  
application criteria (OJ C 82,  
29 March 1979)

Interest rebate : 3 percentage points per year for five  
years on 4.4 MioECU.

Job basis of interest rebate : 220 jobs suitable for former ECSC  
industry workers, to whom they will be  
offered in priority.

VI. COUNCIL ASSENT

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The Commission requests the Council to give its assent to the foregoing  
decision.