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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL

Request for assent, pursuant to Articles 54 (2) and 56 (2a)
of the ECSC Treaty to the granting of a loan to
Warwick International Ltd., United Kingdom

Communication to the Council

Subject : Request for assent, pursuant to Articles 54(2) and 56 (2a) fo the ECSC Treaty to the granting of a loan to Warwick International Ltd., United Kindgom.

I. THE COMPANY

No. 381

Applicant : Warwick International Limited

Registered Office : Wortley Manor Road,
Leeds, England, LE12 4JE

Parent company of applicant : Ault and Wiborg PLC
Wandworth, near Mitcham,
England.

Recipient : Warwick International Limited.

Field of activity of recipient : Contract chemical manufacturer specialising in smaller batches for customers in the detergent, pharmaceutical, agricultural, photographic and oil industries.

II. THE PROJECT

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Description

The project consists of

- : a) expanding the production and improving the processing of certain detergent chemicals at the company's Mostyn, North Wales factory, to maintain the company's competitive market position, especially TAED, a detergent additive which allows detergents to act at lower water temperatures. Hydrocarbon resins and resinates for the printing industry and other specialist chemicals e.g. bromines, will also be produced.
- b) the installation of coal burning equipment for the consumption of Community coal.

Cost

	<u>£ 000</u>	
: Land	881	}
: Buildings		
: Plant and machinery	9,981	
: Other	552	
: Coal conversion	523	
: Total	<u>11,937</u>	(+ 20.891 MioECU)

Schedule

- : 1983 - 1985/86

Market

- : The Company is a competitive market leader in the development and production of detergent additives for "cool water" washing and supply the major detergent producers. The market for the other specialised chemicals is diverse.

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 and also promote the consumption of Community coal.

III. THE REGION

Project location

: Mostyn Clwyd, North-East Wales.

Unemployment rate

: 19.3% (22.5% male) Shotton travel-to-work area March 1983. U.K. averages 13.8% (17.1 male). Unemployment in North East Wales increased from 9.5% in March '79 to 18.3% in March '82.

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

ECSC redundancies in project area

: 1977 to 1981 Shotton travel-to-work area lost 7596 ECSC jobs 72%. Clwyd lost 9132 jobs i.e. 70 %.

Jobs to be created by the project

: 199 by the end of 1985
213 by the end of 1987

Training

: All new employees will be trained in accordance with the accepted industry practice and as a minimum to Industry Training Board standards.

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.

V. CONVERSION LOAN
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- Loan applied for : £ 5.96 million (10.431 MioECU)
- Loan to be granted : The Commission has approved a loan of
£ 5.96 million (about 10.431 MioECU)
or equivalent to the above mentioned
company (1).
- Interest rebate : 3 percentage points per year for five
years on 3.98 MioECU [Art.56] plus 3
percentage points per year for five years
on 0.40 MioECU [Art.54(2)]
- Job basis of interest rebate : 199 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.

(1) In accordance with Article 56 application criteria (OJ C 191, 16 July 1983)
and Article 54 (2) application criteria (OJ C 343, 31 December 1982).