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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL

Request for assent, pursuant to Article 56 2(a) of the ECSC Treaty
to the granting of a global loan to Mediocredito Friuli-Venezia
Giulia, Udine (Italy)

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Communication to the Council

Subject : Request for assent, pursuant to Article 56 2a) of the ECSC Treaty to the granting of a global loan to Mediocredito Friuli-Venezia Giulia , Udine (Italy).

I. FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY

No. 380

Applicant : Mediocredito Friuli-Venezia Giulia

Registered Office : Udine

Shareholders : Mediocredito Firuli-Venezia Giulia is an institute according to public law, established by Law No. 742 of 31.7.57 with participation by the State, the Region and credit institutes.

II. RECIPIENTS

: Small and medium industrial & handicraft concerns in Friuli-Venezia Giulia and, where a case arises, in Venezia.

Field of Activity of recipients

: Industrial handicraft and service activities.

III. THE PROJECT

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Procedure

- : The Commission will grant Lit. 15,000 million to the Mediocredito Friuli-Venezia Giulia. This decision will be implemented by concluding an agreement - within which framework payment will be made by instalments. The subsidiary loans will be approved by the relevant departments of the Commission.
- The rate of interest applicable at each payment will be indicated, with rebate, on subsidiary loans.
- The global loan will, for three years, contribute to financing small and medium concerns, handicraft and small and medium industry in Friuli-Venezia Giulia and, if the case arises, in Venezia.
- The Mediocredito Friuli-Venezia Giulia will send annual reports to the Commission on the use made of borrowed funds. The Bank will also send an annual report to the Commission on the number of jobs created and filled and on the number of former ECSC workers re-employed.

Total amount of investment

: at least Lit 30,000 million (+ 22.06 MioECU)

IV. THE REGION

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Project location

: Steel producing areas in the Friuli-Venezia Giulia region

Unemployment rate

: 9.1 % (December 1982)

National aid status of project area

: aided area

The ECSC industry has been and still is a major employer in the area.

V. CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 56 2a) OF THE ECSC TREATY

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ECSC redundancies in project area : 1,750

Jobs to be created by the project : 500

Training : Assured, where necessary, by local organizations and loan recipients.

The Commission considers that the application complies with Article 56 2a) of the ECSC Treaty.

VI. GLOBAL LOAN

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Loan applied for : Lit. 15,000 million

Loan to be granted : The Commission has approved a loan of Lit. 15,000 million (about 11.03 MioECU) or equivalent to the above mentioned institution (1)

Interest rebate : 5 percentage points per year for five years on 7 MioECU

Job basis of interest rebate : 350 jobs suitable for former ECSC workers, to whom they will be offered in priority.

VII. 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).