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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE COUNCIL

Request for assent, pursuant to Article 56 2a) of the ECSC Treaty
to the granting of a global loan to the Deutsche Bank A.G.
Zentrale Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany

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 the Deutsche Bank A.G., Zentrale Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany.

I. FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY
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No. 391

Applicant : Deutsche Bank A.G., Zentrale Düsseldorf

Registered Office : Frankfurt-am-Main

Shareholders : Shares are widely dispersed.

II. RECIPIENTS
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: The Deutsche Bank will pass on the loan to small and medium-sized firms which are expanding existing activities or creating new economic activities.

Field of Activity of recipients

: Industry and services sector.

III. THE PROJECT
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Procedure

: The Commission will make available DM 30 million (approximately 13.22 MioECU) to the Deutsche Bank A.G. The Commission's decision to grant the global loan will be put into effect by concluding a framework agreement : this will be implemented in successive tranches, for which separate loan contracts will be concluded. (See Article 3 - Global loans - OJ C 191 of 16 July 1983). Sub-loans will be approved by Commission departments. The Deutsche Bank A.G. will inform the Commission every year of the use of the global loan. The Bank will also provide information every year on the re-employment of former ECSC workers by borrowers.

Total amount of investment

: at least DM 60 million (+ 26.45 MioECU)

IV. THE REGION
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Project location

: The funds will be used in coal- and steel- producing areas in the Federal Republic of Germany, primarily in North Rhine-Westphalia.

Unemployment rate

: In June 1983 the unemployment rate in the North Rhine-Westphalia employment office districts, in which coal and steel traditionally play an important role, was about 12.9 % while the rate for the Federal Republic as a whole was 8.7 %.

National aid status of project area

: Regional aid areas or ECSC conversion areas.

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

: In the period from June 1982 to May 1983, 14 116 workers from the metal production industry joined the unemployment register in North Rhine-Westphalia. The time pattern of unemployment registration suggests that in 1983 and 1984 the number of unemployed persons in the Ruhr coal and steel industries is likely to increase by approximately 8 000-10 000.
(Source : Kommunalverband Ruhrgebiet - Essen).

Jobs to be created
by the project

: More than 990 jobs, at least 661 of which suitable for former ECSC workers.

Training

: Where required, by recipients of sub-loans and/or public training institutions.

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

: DM 30 million

Loan to be granted

: The Commission has approved a loan of DM 30 million (about 13.22 MioECU) or equivalent to the above mentioned institution (1)

Interest rebate

: 5 percentage points per year for five years
on 13.22 MioECU

Job basis of interest rebate : 661 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).