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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 Industriekreditbank A.G.,
Deutsche Industriebank (IKB), 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 Industriekreditbank AG, Deutsche Industriebank (IKB), Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany

I. FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY
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No. 416

Applicant : Industriekreditbank AG
Deutsche Industriebank (IKB)

Registered Office : Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany

Shareholders : Foundation for the promotion of
research for industry, Cologne (26.5%)
HO STRA, Investment company, Düsseldorf
(26%)
Insurance institutions (25%)
Private shareholders (22.5%)

II. RECIPIENTS
===== : Small and medium-sized enterprises
to expand existing and/or create new
activities

Field of Activity of recipients : Industrial and service activities

III. THE PROJECT
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Procedure

: The Commission will make available to the IKB DM 100 million (some 44.72 million ECU). The loan will be paid out in tranches over three years, subject to authorization of sub-loans. The sub-loans will be approved by the Commission in accordance with the application criteria and aims which it has published (OJ C 191 of 16 July 1983).

The IKB will report to the Commission annually on the uses made of the global loan. The Bank will also report annually on the total number of jobs created and in fact occupied and on the re-employment of former ECSC workers by the borrowers.

Total amount of investment

: at least 200 million DM (+ 89.44 MioECU)

IV. THE REGION
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Project location

: ECSC employment areas, particularly in North Rhine-Westphalia (1)

Unemployment rate

: 11.8 % in NorthRhine-Westphalia (July 1984)
Ruhr area 14.4%
(for comparison : Federal territory 9.7%).

National aid status of project area

: Regional aid areas

(1) Outside ECSC employment areas, the strict social clause will be applied (Para.14, second sentence of operating principles, OJ C 191 of 16.7.1983)

V. CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 56 2a) OF THE ECSC TREATY
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ECSC redundancies in
project area

:

In 1984 adaptation measures in the ECSC industries in the Ruhr area will cause the loss of some 6,000 jobs. For 1985, cutbacks of some 10,000 jobs must be envisaged.

Jobs to be created
by the project

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Assuming that all the jobs will be created in a priority ECSC employment area, about 3,350 economically viable jobs.

Training

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So far as required, by public training centres and by 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

: 100 million DM

Loan to be granted

: The Commission has approved a loan of DM 100 million (about 44.72 MioECU) or equivalent to the above mentioned institution (1)

Interest rebate

: 5 percentage points per year for five years on 44.72 MioECU

Job basis of interest rebate : 2,236 jobs

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

(1) In accordance with application criteria (OJ C 191, 16 July 1983).