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COUNCIL DECISION

of 21 June 1971

adopting a five-year research and training programme of the European Atomic Energy Community in the field of biology and health physics

(71/236/Euratom)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Community, and in particular Articles 7 and 172 thereof;

Having regard to the Treaty establishing a Single Council and a Single Commission of the European Communities;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission submitted after consultation with the Scientific and Technical Committee;

Having regard to the Council Resolution of 6 December 1969 on the future activities of the European Atomic Energy Community;

Having regard to the Council Decision of 27 October 1970¹ adopting a research and training programme of the European Atomic Energy Community for the financial year 1971 comprising a joint programme and complementary programmes, as amended by the Council Decision of 25 January 1971²;

Whereas it is in the interest of the Community to acquire the information necessary to guarantee adequate protection of the individual, the general public and the environment against dangers arising from radiation;

Whereas nuclear techniques and methods are of importance to medical and agricultural research and whereas exploitation of the potential created in the Community is of major significance in this field;

Whereas a multi-annual programme is necessary in order to ensure the continuity necessary for biological research;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

A research and training programme in the field of biology and health physics consisting of a joint programme and a complementary programme, in which the Federal Republic of Germany, Italy and the Netherlands shall participate, shall be adopted for a five-year period from 1 January 1971. This programme is set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The upper limit for expenditure commitments and for staff necessary for the implementation of this programme shall be 17.335 million units of account and 97 Community servants in the case of the joint programme and 5.61 million units of account and 10 Community of servants in the case complementary programme, the unit of account being defined in Article 19 of the Financial Regulation³ establishing and implementing the research and investment budget of the EAEC and concerning the responsibility of authorising and accounting officers (Article 183 (a) and (c) of the Treaty).

Article 3

This Decision repeals and replaces, as regards the 'Biology and Health Physics' programme, the Council Decision of 25 January 1971.

Done at Luxembourg, 21 June 1971.

For the Council
The President
M. SCHUMANN

¹ OJ No L 245, 11.11.1970, p. 27.

² OJ No L 31, 8.2.1971, p. 14.

⁸ OJ No 74, 16.11.1961, p. 1433/61.

ANNEX

'BIOLOGY AND HEALTH PHYSICS' JOINT PROGRAMME AND COMPLEMENTARY PROGRAMME

1. 'Radiation protection' joint programme

An amount of 17·335 million units of account shall be allocated to this objective and the upper limit for staff shall be fixed at ninety-seven servants. The aim of the work is to acquire and promote the scientific and technical knowledge necessary for the accurate determination of permissible radiation levels in man and contamination of the environment and for the improvement of the practical organisation of radiation protection by the Member States.

This aim also includes studies on radioactive contaminants, with particular reference to the path which they follow in man and the environment, on the effects of radiation on living matter, and on dosimetric methods and instruments.

These activities shall be carried out mainly under contracts of association or similar contracts and partly by the 'Biology' Group set up at the Ispra Establishment.

2. 'Adaptations' complementary programme

(a) Definition of programme

An amount of 5.61 million units of account shall be allocated to the objective and the upper limit for staff shall be ten Community servants.

The aim of the work consists in the development of nuclear techniques and the application of nuclear methods with a view to their use in agricultural and medical research.

The work shall be carried out under contracts of association or similar contracts.

(b) Financial contributions from the Member States to this programme

Germany	41%
Italy	23%
Netherlands	36%