

## COUNCIL DECISION

of 25 August 1975

adopting a research programme for the European Community in the field of standards  
and reference substances (certified reference substances)

(75/516/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 235 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament <sup>(1)</sup>;

Whereas Decisions No 73/125/EEC <sup>(2)</sup> and No 73/175/EEC <sup>(3)</sup> adopting research programmes for the European Economic Community in the field of standards and reference substances (certified reference substances) were adopted by the Council on 14 May and 18 June 1973 respectively in accordance with Article 235 of the Treaty;

Whereas it is appropriate to supplement these programmes by a research programme on organic products;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 3 (a) and (h) of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, the activities of the Community shall include especially the elimination, as between Member States, of quantitative restrictions on the import and export of goods, and of all other measures having equivalent effect, together with the approximation of the laws of the Member States to the extent required for the proper functioning of the common market;

Whereas the research projects which are the subject of this Decision are likely to make an effective contribution to the achievement of these objectives;

Whereas the Treaty makes no provision for the powers required for these purposes,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

A research programme for the European Economic Community in respect of standards and reference substances (certified reference substances) as set out

in the Annex to this Decision is hereby adopted for a period of two years beginning on 1 January 1975. The Annex shall form an integral part of this Decision.

*Article 2*

The upper limit for expenditure commitment and for staff necessary for carrying out this programme shall be 1.360 million units of account, and 20 staff.

The unit of account is defined in Article 10 of the Financial Regulation of 25 April 1973 <sup>(4)</sup> applicable to the general budget for the European Communities.

*Article 3*

The Commission shall be responsible for the implementation of this programme and, to that end, shall avail itself of the facilities of the Joint Research Centre. It shall submit an annual report to the Council on this subject.

*Article 4*

The programme defined in the Annex shall be subject to review at the beginning of 1976 in accordance with the appropriate procedures.

*Article 5*

The information resulting from the implementation of the programme defined in the Annex shall be disseminated in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC) No 2380/74 <sup>(5)</sup> of 17 September 1974 adopting provisions for the dissemination of information relating to research programmes for the European Economic Community.

Done at Brussels, 25 August 1975.

*For the Council**The President*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No C 95, 28. 4. 1975, p. 7.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 153, 9. 6. 1973, p. 9.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 189, 11. 7. 1973, p. 32.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 116, 1. 5. 1973, p. 1.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 255, 20. 9. 1974, p. 1.

## ANNEX

## DIRECT ACTIONS

## NON-NUCLEAR PROJECTS

## STANDARDS AND REFERENCE SUBSTANCES

## (CERTIFIED REFERENCE SUBSTANCES)

**Joint programme**

A maximum of 1.360 million units of account shall be allocated to this objective, the number of staff being fixed at 20 (including a programme staff of 10).

The objective shall include:

- technical assistance to the project secretariat in the organic products sector,
- experimental work (organic analysis) in the laboratories participating in the project,
- technical assistance to the Commission (elimination of technical obstacles, Common Customs Tariff, etc.),
- experimental work on reference substances and methods in the organic products sector.

The corresponding work will be carried out by the Petten Establishment.

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