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DUE DECEMBER 1, 1996 FOR OFFERING IN THE U.S. (1)

The European Economic Community announced today that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the proposed public offering in the United States of ECU 150 million principal amount of bonds due Dec. 1, 1996. This offering is expected to be the first public offering denominated in ECU in the United States. The Community also believes that the offering will be the first non-dollar denominated offering in the U.S. public markets.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be applied to loans to be made by the EEC to fund investment projects within the Member States.

The offering is expected to be made in late November or early December 1984 by a group of underwriters headed by Bear, Stearns & Co., The First Boston Corporation ("books") and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated.

⁽¹⁾ See IP(84) 369, Oct. 24