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MEMORANDUM FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE ACP/EEC COMMITTEE OF AMBASSADORS

The total sum for Stabex transfers to be charged against the year of application 1982 exceeds the amount available by 13.852.362 ECU. The purpose of this report is to request the Committee of Ambassadors, in accordance with Article 34(1) of the Second Lomé Convention, to authorise the use in advance of part of the annual instalment for the 1983 application year up to this amount.

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1. The purpose of this report is to request the Committee of Ambassadors, in accordance with Article 34(1) of the Second Lomé Convention, to authorise the use in advance of part of the annual instalment for the 1983 application year.
2. Of the applications for transfers presented and appraised for the 1982 application year, the Commission has accepted 35, for a total amount of 102,474,315 ECU. To this sum should be added the 778,048 ECU resulting from the two transfers for the 1981 application year, for which the Commission, for reasons of force majeure, did not receive the requests until after 5 August 1982, the final date set by the Committee of Ambassadors for the use of the annual instalment for the 1981 application year. The total sum to be charged against the 1982 application year is therefore 103,252,363 ECU (see Annex 1).
3. This should be set against the sum available, 89.4m ECU, representing the 1982 annual instalment of 111.75m ECU minus 22.35m ECU, the advance use of which for the 1981 application year was authorised by Decision No. 8/82 of 5 August 1982. This leaves a gap of 13,852,363 ECU.
4. Article 34 of the Second Lomé Convention states :
"In the case of an insufficiency of funds for a year of application the Council of Ministers, on the basis of a report submitted to it by the Commission, may :
 1. authorise, for each year except the last, the use in advance of a maximum of 20% of the following year's instalment;
 2. reduce the amount of the transfers to be made."
5. Since the shortfall is well below 20%, it is proposed to opt for the first possibility provided for in Article 34, namely the use in advance of the annual instalment for 1983. This would take up no more than 12.4% or so of that instalment leaving 97,897,637 ECU still available for the following application year.
6. By its Decision No. 3/83 of 20 May 1983, the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers delegated its powers as regards the transfers to be made for the 1982 application year to the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors. In accordance with that Decision, the Commission is therefore reporting to the Committee, and proposes that the Committee adopt the decision, the draft of which is attached in Annex 2.

TRANSFERS FOR THE YEAR OF APPLICATION 1982

Recipient ACP State	Product	Amount in ECU
Benin	Cotton	877,329
	Palm oil	1,614,942
	Cashew kernels	215,789
Comoros	Copra	293,528
Fiji	Coconut oil	788,481
Gambia	Groundnut oil	1,615,183
	Oil-cake	361,036
Ghana	Cocoa Products	31,160,673
Guinea-Bissau	Palm nuts	360,528
	Sawn wood	88,719
Grenada	Cocoa beans	1,318,965
	Nutmeg and mace	278,590
Upper Volta	Sheanut kernels	1,046,734
Kiribati	Copra	1,036,682
Lesotho	Mohair	694,147
Malawi	Groundnuts	2,684,355
Papua New Guinea	Coffee	16,344,445
	Cocoa beans	4,201,081
	Copra and copra oil	3,604,036
Central African Republic	Cotton not carded or combed	1,675,896
Solomon Islands	Copra	1,726,633
Sao Tome	Cocoa beans	2,679,188
Sierra Leone	Coffee	3,831,246
	Cocoa beans	2,447,381
Swaziland	Cotton	3,103,968
Chad	Cotton	3,593,163
Togo	Cocoa beans	7,115,332
Tonga	Copra	1,685,134
	Coconut oil	391,688
	Bananas	223,173
	Coconuts	365,327
Tuvalu	Copra	63,150
Western Samoa	Cocoa beans	561,805
	Copra	877,434
Mali	Groundnut oil	3,548,554
TOTAL		102,474,315
Comoros	Copra (1981)	290.577
	Essential oils (1981)	487.471
GRAND TOTAL		103,252,363

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DECISION NO.
OF THE ACP-EEC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
of
on the use in advance of the 1983 instalment
of the resources allocated to Stabex

THE ACP-EEC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

Having regard to the Second ACP-EEC Convention signed at Lomé on 31 October 1979, hereinafter referred to as the "Convention", and in particular Article 34 thereof,

Having regard to Decision No. 3/83 of the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers of 20 May 1983 delegating powers to the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors in matters concerning Stabex;

Having regard to the report from the Commission,

Whereas the sums which have to be transferred under Stabex exceed the amount of the annual instalment for 1982;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 34 of the Convention, the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers should therefore authorise the use in advance of part of the instalment for 1983,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS :

Article 1

The use in advance of 13,852,363 ECU of the 1983 instalment is hereby authorised for the purpose of transfers to be made under Stabex for 1982.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Article 3

The ACP States and the Member States of the Community shall, each to the extent concerned, take the measures necessary to implement this Decision.

Done at Brussels,

For the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers
By the ACP-EEC Committee of Ambassadors

The Chairman