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The Commission of the European Communities,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community, and in particular Article 47 thereof,

Whereas the steel market and in particular the merchant bar, section, coil and concrete reinforcement bar market have been in serious difficulties for some years;

Whereas in view of this situation the long-term aim of the Community steel policy must be to restructure the steel industry, taking competitiveness as its criterion;

Whereas it is, however, necessary to avoid too sudden a change in existing trade patterns and an unwarranted shift in restructuring costs from one region to another in the common market;

Whereas on the steel market, and in particular the merchant bar, section, coil and concrete reinforcement bar markets, statistical data on intra-Community trade do not allow the Commission to monitor trade patterns sufficiently rapidly or accurately;

Whereas the Commission requires this information to define restructuring aims in this sector and, if it proves necessary, to take steps to mitigate the consequences of excessively sudden changes;

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Whereas in these circumstances it is essential that the Commission have ready access, in detail, to all statistics on deliveries of merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars produced in Community countries both to the Community market and, for the assessment of any diversion of trade, to Austria and Switzerland;

Whereas the obligation, based on Commission Decision No 3017/76/ECSC of December 1976 (1), on steel undertakings to supply certain data on deliveries of steel must be supplemented by information on their deliveries of merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars to member countries of the Community and to Austria and Switzerland;

has adopted this Decision:

Article 1

Undertakings producing merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars shall be required to supply to the Commission each month statements of their deliveries of concrete reinforcement bars to member countries of the Community and to Austria and Switzerland.

Article 2

Monthly statements on deliveries to the member countries of the Community and to Austria and Switzerland must reach the Commission at the latest by the tenth of each month in respect of data relating to the previous month. The first statement shall be returned by 10 February 1978 in respect of the month of January 1978.

Statements shall be made on a standard form, a specimen of which is given in Annex 1 to this Decision.

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Article 3

When making the first monthly statement for January 1978, undertakings shall also be required to state the quarterly deliveries of merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars in 1977 to member countries of the Community and to Austria and Switzerland.

This statement shall be made on a standard form, a specimen of which is given in Annex 2 to this Decision.

Article 4

Undertakings which, pursuant to Decision No 2/52 of 23 December 1952 and Decision No 6/65 of 17 March 1965, are exempt from payment of the levy shall be exempt from the requirements of this Decision.

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Annex 1

Early statistics on deliveries of merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars within the meaning of the Treaty establishing the ECSC

Country:	Works:	Month:
Company:	Location:	
		ECSC levy No:

Questionnaire to be returned duly completed at the latest by 20 January 1978⁽¹⁾.

Deliveries to:	1	2	3	4
	Concrete reinforcement bars	Merchant bars	Sections	Coils ⁽²⁾
F.R. Germany				
Belgium				
Denmark				
France				
Ireland				
Italy				
Luxembourg				
Netherlands				
United Kingdom				
Community TOTAL				
Austria				
Switzerland				

(1) Information to be sent to:

- the Commission of the European Communities, Directorate for Steel, 200, rue de la Loi, 1049 Brussels (Telex 21877 COMEU B - Telephone 735.00.40);
- the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Jean Monnet Building, Luxembourg (Kirchberg), PO Box 1907.

(2) The definitions of deliveries and products corresponds to those in questionnaire 2-71 of the Statistical Office of the European Communities. (1 line 108; 2 lines 109; 3 lines 104 and 105; 4 lines 20, 31, 32 and 33).

Annex 2

Statistics on deliveries of merchant bars, sections, coils and concrete reinforcement bars within the meaning of the Treaty establishing the ECSC effected during 197...

Country:	Works:	Month:
Company:	Location:	
	ECSC levy No:	

Questionnaire to be returned duly completed at the latest by the 10th of each month with figures for the preceding month (1)

Deliveries to:	Tonnes			
	1	2	3	4
	Concrete reinforcement bars	Merchant bars	Sections	Coils
F.R. Germany				
Belgium				
Denmark				
France				
Ireland				
Italy				
Luxemburg				
Netherlands				
United Kingdom				
Community TOTAL				
Austria				
Switzerland				

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