COMMISSION OF THE EURO EAN COMMUNITES

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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 Articles 49 and 50 thereof;

Having regard to the Treaty of 8 April 1965 establishing a single Council and a single Commission of the European Communities, and in particular Articles 20 and 21 thereof;

Having regard to the ECSC Decision No 2.52 of 23 December 1952 determining the mode of assessment and collection of the levies provided for in Articles 49 and 50 of the ECSC Treaty (Official Journal of the European Coal and Steel Community of 30 December 1952, page 3), and in particular Article 1 thereof, after consulting the Council and the Advisory Committee;

Whereas there have been certain known developments in steel manufacturing processes, with effects on the quality of the products;

whereas there have occurred corresponding changes in the quantities of steel produced by the various processes and in particular there has been a rapid advance of the pure oxygen processes and a diminished use of the Bessemer process;

Whereas in these conditions there is no longer any reason, in respect of the assessment of levies, to distinguish between Bessemer steel and steel other than Bessemer steel; whereas, in consequence, the above-mentioned Article 1 of the ECSC Decision No 2.52 of 23 December 1952 should be amended to create a single taxable category for steels in ingots.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Artiole 1

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The provisions of Article 1(1) of the above-mentioned Decision No 2.52 shall be replaced by the following provisions:

(1) The levies on coal and steel production provided for in Articles 49 and 50 of the ECSC Treaty shall be assessed on the following products:

1. Brown coal briquettes and semi-coke derived from brown coal;

2. Hard coal of all categories;

3. Pig iron other than that used for making ingots;

4. Steel in ingots;

5. Finished products and end products set out in Annex I to the Treaty.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on

This Decision shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

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For the Commission The President