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REPORT

drawn up on behalf of the Committee
on Agriculture

on the proposal from the Commission of the
European Communities to the Council
(Doc. 1-45/81) for a decision amending,
as a result of Greek accession,
Decision 78/902/EEC adopting joint
research programmes and programmes for
coordinating agricultural research

Rapporteur: Mr PAPAEFSTRATIOU

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By letter of 16 March 1981 the Council of the European Communities consulted the European Parliament, pursuant to Article 43 of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, on a proposal for a Council decision amending, as a result of Greek accession, Decision 78/902/EEC adopting joint research programmes and programmes for coordinating agricultural research, adopting urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure.

On 31 March 1981 the President of the European Parliament referred this proposal to the Committee on Agriculture as the committee responsible and to the Committee on Budgets for its opinion.

The Committee on Agriculture appointed Mr Papaefstratiou rapporteur.

It considered this proposal at its meeting of 6 April 1981 and at that same meeting it adopted the motion for a resolution by 8 votes in favour with 3 abstentions.

Present: Sir Henry Plumb, chairman; Mr Colleselli, Mr Delatte, vice-chairmen; Mr Papaefstratiou, rapporteur; Mr Battersby, Mr Dalsass, Mr Diana, Mr Maher, Mr Skovmand, Mr Sutra, Mr Vernimmen.

The opinion of the Committee on Budgets is attached.

The Committee on Agriculture hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution :

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision amending, as a result of Greek accession, Decision 78/902/EEC adopting joint research programmes and programmes for coordinating agricultural research

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM (80) 812 final, amended by COM(81)105 final),
 - having been consulted by the Council pursuant to Article 43 of the EEC Treaty (Doc. 1-45/81),
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture, and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets (Doc. 1-110/81),
 - having regard to its opinion of 11 October 1978¹ on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision adopting joint research programmes and programmes for coordinating agricultural research,
 - whereas Greece has been a member of the European Economic Community since 1 January 1981,
 - having regard to the importance of agriculture to the Greek economy,
 - whereas Greece should therefore be involved in the joint research programmes for coordinating agricultural research,
1. Stresses the major importance to Greece of taking full and immediate part in Community agricultural research, especially in the Mediterranean agricultural programme;
 2. Points out the need to perfect farming methods suited to local conditions and designed to reduce energy consumption in agriculture;
 3. Draws attention to the need to publicize research findings throughout the agricultural community in order to improve all farmers' standard of living;
 4. Approves, with these provisos, the Commission's proposal; recommends, however, that the amount of 18,602,000 ECUs provided for in Decision 78/902/EEC be increased by 15% to 21,392,000 ECUs.

¹ OJ C 261, 6.11.1978, p.29

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS

Letter from the committee chairman to Sir Henry PLUMB, chairman
of the Committee on Agriculture

Strasbourg, 7 April, 1981

Subject: Proposal for a Council decision amending, as a result
of Greek accession, Decision 78/902/EEC adopting joint
research programmes and programmes for coordinating
agricultural research (Doc. 1-45/81)

Dear Mr Chairman,

The Committee on Budgets considered the above-mentioned proposal
for a decision from the Commission at its meeting of 6 April 1981.
The increased costs of the agricultural research programme as a result
of Greek accession are included in the Commission's financial statement
and analysed in detail in an annex. The additional amount involved
totals 1.8 million ECUs for the remaining duration of the programme
until 1983.

The Committee on Budgets raised no objections to this proposal from
the Commission and approved it unanimously.

Yours sincerely,

Erwin Lange

Present : Mr Lange, chairman; Mr Notenboom and Mr Spinelli, vice-chairmen;
Mr Adonnino, Mr Ansquer, Mr Barbi, Mr Bonde, Mr Dankert, Mr Fich, Mr Forth,
Mr Gouthier, Mrs Hoff, Mr Hord, Mr Jackson, Mr Newton Dunn, Mr Nord,
Mr Schoen, Mrs Scrivener, Mr Simonnet.