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from the Council of the European Communities

on the Council recommendation concerning the discharge to be given to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the operations of the European Development Fund (1975) (4th EDF) for the financial year 1976

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COUNCIL
OF THE
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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The President

Brussels, 3 November 1978

Mr Emilio COLOMBO
President of the
European Parliament
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LUXEMBOURG

Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of Article 206b of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, I am sending you herewith, in the six languages of the Community, the Council recommendation concerning the discharge to be given to the Commission in respect of the implementation of the operations of the European Development Fund (1975) (4th EDF) for the financial year 1976.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

(sgd.) J. ERTL

COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION
OF 30 OCTOBER 1978

concerning the discharge to be given to the Commission
in respect of the implementation of the operations
of the European Development Fund (1975)(4th EDF)
for the financial year 1976

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 206b thereof,

Having regard to the ACP-EEC Convention of Lomé, signed on 28 February 1975 ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Council Decision 76/568/EEC of 29 June 1976 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Economic Community ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the Internal Agreement on the financing and administration of Community aid, signed on 11 July 1976 ⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 31(3) thereof,

Having regard to the Financial Regulation applicable to the Fourth European Development Fund ⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof,

Having regard to the resolution of the European Parliament of 4 July 1978,

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 25, 30.1.1976, p. 1
⁽²⁾ OJ No L 176, 1.7.1976, p. 8
⁽³⁾ OJ No L 25, 30.1.1976, p. 168
⁽⁴⁾ OJ No L 229, 20.8.1976, p. 9

Having examined the revenue and expenditure account and the balance sheet relating to the operations of the European Development Fund (1975)(4th EDF) as at 31 December 1976 ⁽¹⁾ and the Audit Board's report on the accounts for the financial year 1976, to which are annexed the replies given by the Commission to the comments made by the Audit Board,

Whereas pursuant to Article 31 of the Internal Agreement the discharge for the management of the European Development Fund (1975) (4th EDF) should be given to the Commission according to the procedure provided for in Article 206 of the Treaty;

Whereas the overall implementation by the Commission of the operations of the European Development Fund (1975)(4th EDF) during the financial year 1976 has been satisfactory; whereas, however, the Council feels obliged to make the comment contained in the Annex concerning STABEX operations,

RECOMMENDS that the European Parliament give the Commission a discharge in respect of the implementation of the operations of the European Development Fund (1975)(4th EDF) for the financial year 1976.

Done at Luxembourg, 30 October 1978

For the Council

The President

(s.) J. ERTL

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Secretary-General

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 254, 24.10.1977

Council comment
appended to the Recommendation
concerning the discharge in respect of
the 4th EDF (financial year 1976)

The Council makes the following statement on comments Nos 125 and 146 of the Audit Board concerning the stabilization of export earnings:

The Council considers that any possible disparities between the EEC and ACP States' statistics must be duly justified in a note which explains the choice of quantities and values adopted for cross-checking and not solely by merely referring to overall negotiations.
