

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Amendment to the
Proposal for a
COUNCIL DECISION

**adopting two specific research and technological development programmes
in the field of the environment**

STEP: Science and Technology for Environmental Protection

**EPOCH: European Programme on Climatology and Natural Hazards
1989-1992**

(presented by the Commission pursuant to the third paragraph of Article 149
of the EEC Treaty)

The Commission proposal¹ is hereby amended as follows:

Preamble unchanged

Recitals unchanged

Article 1 unchanged

Article 2

The funds estimated as necessary for the execution of the two programmes amount to 115 million ECU, including expenditure on a staff of 30, subdivided as follows:

- STEP (Science and Technology for Environmental Protection): 75 million ECU,
- EPOCH (European Programme on Climatology and Natural Hazards): 40 million ECU.

An indicative breakdown of these funds is set out in Annex II.

Articles 3 and 4 unchanged

Article 5

The Commission shall be responsible for the execution of the two programmes.

The Commission shall be assisted by a committee of an advisory nature, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee", composed of the representatives of the Member States and chaired by the representative of the Commission.

The contracts entered into by the Commission shall regulate the rights and obligations of each party, including the methods of disseminating, protecting and exploiting the research results.

(1) OJ no. C 327 of 20.12.1988

Add the following new article:

Article 6

1. The representative of the Commission shall submit to the Committee a draft of the measures to be taken. The Committee shall deliver its opinion within a time limit which the Chairman may lay down according to urgency of the matter, if necessary by taking a vote.
2. The opinion shall be recorded in the minutes of the Committee; in addition, each Member State shall have the right to have its opinion recorded in the minutes.
3. The Commission shall take the utmost account of the opinion delivered by the Committee. It shall inform the Committee of the manner in which its opinion has been taken into account.

Articles 6 and 7 (unchanged) become Articles 7 and 8.

ANNEX: I. OBJECTIVES unchanged

II. CONTENTS

STEP (Science and Technology for Environmental Protection)

	<u>Indicative breakdown</u>
<u>RESEARCH AREA 1</u> : ENVIRONMENT AND HUMAN HEALTH	<u>5 %</u>
1.1 to 1.3 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 2</u> : ASSESSMENT OF RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH CHEMICALS	<u>10 %</u>
2.1 to 2.5 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 3</u> : ATMOSPHERIC PROCESSES AND AIR QUALITY	<u>20 %</u>
3.1 to 3.3 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 4</u> : WATER QUALITY	<u>5 %</u>
4.1 Analysis and conversion of pollutants <u>in water and sediments</u>	
4.2 unchanged	

<u>RESEARCH AREA 5</u> :	SOIL AND GROUNDWATER PROTECTION	<u>8 %</u>
	5.1 to 5.3 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 6</u> :	ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH	<u>12 %</u>
	6.1 unchanged	
	6.2 Aquatic and coastal ecosystems (including wetlands): <u>water column, sediments, biota</u>	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 7</u> :	PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF THE EUROPEAN CULTURAL HERITAGE	<u>8 %</u>
	7.1 to 7.5 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 8</u> :	TECHNOLOGIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	<u>12 %</u>
	8.1 to 8.3 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 9</u> :	MAJOR TECHNOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND FIRE SAFETY	<u>20 %</u>
	9.1 to 9.3 unchanged	
<u>EPOCH (European Programme on Climatology and Natural Hazards)</u>		
<u>RESEARCH AREA 1</u> :	PAST CLIMATE AND CLIMATE CHANGE	<u>15 %</u>
	1.1 to 1.2 unchanged	
<u>RESEARCH AREA 2</u> :	CLIMATE PROCESSES AND MODELS	<u>30 %</u>
	2.1 to 2.7 unchanged	

RESEARCH AREA 3 : CLIMATIC IMPACTS AND CLIMATE-RELATED HAZARDS 40%
3.1 to 3.6 unchanged

RESEARCH AREA 4 : SEISMIC HAZARD 15 %
4.1 to 4.5 unchanged

III. IMPLEMENTATION unchanged

IV. EVALUATION CRITERIA unchanged