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(Acts whose publication is not obligatory)

COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 30 May 1978

amending Decision 76/345/Euratom adopting a research and training programme (1976 to 1980) of the European Atomic Energy Community in the field of fusion and plasma physics

(78/470/Euratom)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission submitted after consultation with the Scientific and Technical Committee,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament (1),

Whereas the Council has adopted, by Decision 76/345/Euratom, a research and training programme (1976 to 1980) in the field of fusion and plasma physics ;

Whereas it is necessary to equip the Community with a large Tokamak-type device (JET — 'Joint European Torus') ;

Whereas it is therefore necessary to provide in an adequate manner additional resources for this programme as far as the implementation of the JET Project is concerned, so as to ensure continuity of this programme, which, moreover, comes within the more general context of security of Community energy supplies in the long term ;

Whereas, by virtue of Article 3 of Decision 76/345/Euratom, the Commission will submit to the Council in 1978 a review proposal designed to replace the present programme with a new five-year programme as from 1 January 1979, which will include the continuation of the JET Project,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS :

Article 1

Article 2 of Decision 76/345/Euratom shall be supplemented by the following paragraph :

'In addition to the appropriation and the staff shown in the first paragraph, the ceiling of commitments of expenditure required for the implementation of the JET Project shall be fixed at 102·4 million European units of account, this unit of account being defined in Article 10 of the Financial Regulation of 21 December 1977 applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (2), and the maximum staff required for this project shall be fixed at 150 temporary staff within the meaning of Article 2 (a) of the conditions of employment of other servants of the European Communities.'

Article 2

The Annex to Decision 76/345/Euratom shall be supplemented by the following paragraph :

(1) Opinion delivered on 12. 5. 1978 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

(2) OJ No L 356, 31. 12. 1977, p. 1.

'6. The programme defined above is completed by the implementation of the JET Project to which is allocated a maximum sum estimated at 102·4 million European units of account and a maximum staff of 150 temporary agents. The sum indicated is to finance the first half of the construction phase of the JET Project with a participation rated at 80 %.'

Done at Brussels, 30 May 1978.

For the Council

The President

I. NØRGAARD