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COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 9 April 1981

on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation extending the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public health research)

(81/240/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Decision 81/21/EEC of 20 January 1981 amending Decision 78/167/EEC adopting a concerted project of the European Economic Community in the field of registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public health research) [1],

Having regard to the draft Decision submitted by the Commission,

Whereas, on 1 August 1980, the Swiss Confederation acceded to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Hellenic Republic on a concerted action project in the field of registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public health research), in accordance with Article 6 (3) of that Agreement; whereas, the Hellenic Republic became a Member of the European Economic Community on 1 January 1981, it is advisable to conclude an Agreement between the Community and the Swiss Confederation;

Whereas that Agreement should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation extending the Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public health research) is hereby approved on behalf of the Community.

The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorized to designate the persons empowered to sign the Agreement in order to bind the Community.

Done at Luxembourg, 9 April 1981.

For the Council

The President

D. F. van der MEI

[1] OJ No L 43, 14. 2. 1981, p. 12.