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COUNCIL

COUNCIL DECISION

of 25 March 1991

concerning the conclusion of a cooperation agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland on a programme plan to stimulate the international cooperation and interchange needed by European research scientists (Science)

(91/170/EEC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 130 q (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission (1),

In cooperation with the European Parliament (2),

Having regard to the opinion of the Economic and Social Committee (3),

Whereas by Decision 88/419/EEC (4), the Council adopted a programme plan to stimulate the international cooperation and interchange needed by European research scientists (Science, 1988 to 1992); whereas Article 5 of that Decision authorizes the Commission to negotiate agreements with third countries and in particular with those European countries having concluded framework agreements for scientific and technical cooperation with the Community with a view to associating them wholly or partly with the programme plan;

Whereas by Decision 90/23/EEC (5), the Council approved the conclusion on behalf of the European Economic Community of the framework agreement for scientific and technical cooperation between the European Communities and the Republic of Iceland;

Whereas the cooperation agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland on a programme plan to stimulate the international cooperation and interchange needed by European research scientists (Science) should be approved,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The cooperation agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Iceland on a programme plan to stimulate the international cooperation and interchange needed by European research scientists (Science), 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 shall, on behalf of the Community, carry out the notification as provided for in Article 11 of the Agreement.

Done at Brussels, 25 March 1991.

For the Council

The President

R. STEICHEN

(1) OJ No C 181, 21. 7. 1990, p. 15.
(2) OJ No C 324, 24. 12. 1990, and Decision of 20 February 1991 (not yet published in the Official Journal).
(3) OJ No C 31, 6. 2. 1991, p. 39.
(4) OJ No L 206, 30. 7. 1988, p. 34.
(5) OJ No L 14, 18. 1. 1990, p. 18.