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**NOTE**

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from: French delegation

to : K.4 Committee

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Subject: Financing of Title VI – Budget for the Third Pillar – K.4 Committee meeting on  
21 and 22 September 1994

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Proceeding on the basis of CK4 30, the discussion at the meeting of the K.4 Committee on  
27 and 28 July addressed two points:

- should the ECU 2 million entered as a reserve in the 1994 budget be used? If so how?
- should provision be made for a sum to finance Title VI in the 1995 budget and should a  
specific heading be created?

The Presidency asked for proposals to be submitted to the General Secretariat of the Council.

In doing so it is useful to refer first to the budgetary presentation and then to the data for  
1994 and 1995.

- (a) The budget of the Communities is made up of different sections (Section I: Parliament,  
Section II: Council, Section III: Commission). The budget of the Commission  
(Section III) is different from the other sections in that it contains two parts: part A  
relates to the Commission's administrative appropriations and part B contains "operating  
appropriations". The operating appropriations cover the operating expenditure of all the  
institutions (and not just those of the Commission).
- (b) At present an allocation for the activities of the 3rd pillar is included in that operating  
expenditure and therefore in the Commission section (Section III, Title B 5-8). The  
appropriations for 1994 amount to ECU 2 million in commitment appropriations and ECU  
1 million in payment appropriations. It should be noted that they come under the  
"internal market" heading.

For 1995 the preliminary draft budget has a "p.m." (for the record) against the heading - in other words no allocation - but ECU 5 million in appropriations and ECU 2,5 million payment appropriations is in reserve which could be transferred during the year if need be.

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For Title VI, the bulk of the expenditure will be administrative in nature (courses, delegates' travel, seminars etc...). As the first subparagraph of Article K8(2) stipulates, this would be charged to the budget of the Communities against the section for the institution which committed them.

Any operational activities would be dealt with on the basis of the second indent of the second subparagraph of Article K8(2), in other words borne by the Member States according to a cost-sharing formula to be determined.

In conclusion, in reply to the two questions put to the K.4 Committee:

1. - France does not see any use for the ECU 2 million entered in the 1994 budget under the Commission section. It requests that the rules for charging budget items be clearly laid down for future budgets before releasing the sums concerned. This was also the position which France put forward at the meeting of the K.4 Committee on 14 and 15 April.
2. - France is not against entering in the 1995 budget a heading for Title VI for administrative expenditure, which, committed by the Council on that basis, would therefore appear in the Council section of the budget of the Communities.

France would like the JHA Council to play a determining role in deciding on the use of the appropriations voted for such expenditure.

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