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1. The Commission submitted to the Council on 11 March 1998 the abovementioned recommendation for a Council Decision authorizing the negotiation of an amendment of the agreement for scientific and technological cooperation with Canada.

The envisaged amendment of the existing cooperation agreement<sup>(1)</sup> aims at widening the scope of this agreement to all research areas falling under the specific programmes of the first activity of the Community RTD Framework Programme.

The amendment of the agreement, as proposed by the Commission, should be negotiated on the basis of the draft negotiating directives and subsequently concluded in accordance with art. 130 m under the procedure laid down in art. 228 of the Treaty establishing the European Community.

2. After examination of the proposal, the Research Working Party reached an agreement on the texts of the draft Council Decision together with the negotiating directives as reproduced in Annex to this Note.

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(1) See O.J. L 74 of 22.3.96, pages 25-34

3. It is therefore suggested that the Committee of Permanent Representatives recommend to the Council to adopt, as an "A" item at one of its next meetings, the attached Council Decision authorizing the Commission to negotiate an amendment of the scientific and technological cooperation agreement with Canada, together with the negotiating directives.

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ANNEX

**COUNCIL DECISION  
AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSION TO NEGOTIATE AN  
AMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL  
COOPERATION  
BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY  
AND CANADA**

1. The Council authorizes the Commission to negotiate an amendment of the agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and Canada.
2. The Commission shall conduct the negotiations with the assistance of the special Committee set up for this task in accordance with Article 228 of the EC Treaty.
3. The Council invites the Commission to conduct these negotiations in accordance with the attached negotiating directives.
4. The Commission will keep the Council informed of the state of progress of the negotiations.

Annex to the ANNEX

NEGOTIATING DIRECTIVES

**for amending the Agreement for Scientific and Technological Cooperation  
between the European Community and Canada**

**Objective**

1. The aim of the negotiations is to amend the above-mentioned cooperation agreement only as far as the areas for cooperation, mentioned under Article 4 of the Agreement, are concerned, and this in accordance with the procedure for possible amendment foreseen under Article 12 (b) of the Agreement. It is the intention to widen the application of the Agreement to all research areas covered by Article 130g (a) ("first activity") and by Article 130g (d) ("fourth activity"), the latter only as far as networks between infrastructures operators and related research projects are concerned.
2. To this end the present wording of Article 4 of the Agreement would be replaced by a new text reflecting the above-mentioned objective.