

Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the signature of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Canada renewing a co-operation programme in higher education and training

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(Submitted by the Commission on 18 October 2000)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Articles 149 and 150 in conjunction with the first sentence of Article 300(2),

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) By its Decision of 22 May 2000 the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate agreements for cooperation in higher education and vocational training between the European Community, Canada and the United States of America.
- (2) The Community and Canada expect to obtain mutual benefit from such co-operation, which must, on the Community's side, be complementary to the bilateral programmes between the Member States and Canada and provide a European added value.
- (3) It is necessary to sign the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Canada renewing a co-operation programme in higher education and training,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The signature, subject to conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Canada renewing a co-operation programme in higher education and training 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 authorised to designate the person or persons empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Community.
