

Proposal for a Council Decision concluding the Agreement on cooperation for science and technology between the European Community and the Government of the Russian Federation

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(Submitted by the Commission on 1 July 1999)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 170, in conjunction with Article 300(2), first sentence of the first subparagraph, and Article 300(3), first subparagraph thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament

- (1) Whereas the European Community and the Russian Federation are pursuing specific research programmes in areas of common interest;
- (2) Whereas the Russian Federation, on the one hand, and the European Community and its Member States, on the other hand, have signed a Partnership and Cooperation Agreement which Article 62 provides for the negotiation of 'specific arrangements' in the field of science and technology;
- (3) Whereas by its Decision of 10 November 1997, the Council authorised the Commission to negotiate an agreement on cooperation for science and technology between the European Community and the Russian Federation for the duration of the Fifth Framework Programme;

- (4) Whereas the Agreement on cooperation for science and technology between the European Community and the Russian Federation should be approved and signed on behalf of the Community;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Agreement on cooperation for science and technology between the European Community and the Russian Federation is hereby approved. The text of the Agreement is attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The Community shall sign the Agreement on cooperation for science and technology between the EC and the Russian Federation. The President of the Council is hereby authorised to appoint the person(s) empowered to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Community.

Article 3

Pursuant to Article 12 of the Agreement, the President of the Council shall give notification that the procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Agreement have been completed on the part of the European Community.
