Health and social policy: participation of Romania in the Community programmes

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PURPOSE: within the framework of the pre-accession strategy, to open certain Community programmes in the field of health and social policy to Romania for the years 1998-2000. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council decision 1999/110/EC. CONTENT: this decision (6/98) of the EC/Romania Association Council of 03/12/98 lays down the conditions and requirments for this country's participation in a number of Community programmes in the field of health and social policy: Health promotion, Combatting cancer, Prevention of AIDS and other communicable diseases, Drug dependence and Equal opportunities for men and women. In particular, Romania will: - participate in all of the relevant operations in the same capacity as the Member States and in accordance with the objectives, criteria and procedures established by those programmes; - as far as possible, apply the same conditions and requirements for the presentation, assessment and selection of applications as those applied by the Member States; - be required to include a minimum number of partners from the Member States in all of the transnational projects and activities it proposes; - pay a financial contribution to the Community budget to cover the costs of its participation in these various programmes. This contribution will cover both financial support from the programmes to Romanian participants and supplementary administrative costs related to the management of the programmes by the Commission stemming from Romania's participation. The contribution varies according to the programme and is made annually. Subject to regular PHARE programming procedures, some of this contribution wil come from Romania's PHARE allocation. This does not include the supplementary administrative costs which will be borne entirely by Romania's national budget. In total, this financial contribution amounts to ECU 1,404,513 for the 3 years in question (of which ECU 656,313 comes from PHARE). Romania will be involved in the monitoring of its participation in the programmes concerned with a view to preparing for the Community decision-making process in the context of accession (in particular by being invited to coordination meetings prior to the regular meetings of the programme committees and being kept informed of the results of the committees' meetings). Romania's partipation is valid for the duration of the programmes (until 31/12/2000). ENTRY INTO FORCE: 01/01 /1999.