

Resolution of the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council of 23 November 1990 on improving mutual aid between Member States in the event of a natural or man-made disaster (90/C 315/02)

THE COUNCIL AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL,

Recalling their resolution of 25 June 1987 on the introduction of Community cooperation on civil protection (1) and the resolution of 13 February 1989 on the new developments in Community cooperation on civil protection (2);

Aware of the threat of natural or man-made disasters confronting the Member States and of the need for aid to be provided to the Member State affected when such disasters occur;

Desirous of taking into account the legal liability aspects of such aid;

Recognizing that improved mutual aid between Member States in the event of a disaster would strengthen Community cooperation in the field of civil protection;

Conscious of the usefulness of existing and future bilateral and multilateral agreements on cooperation in the field of civil protection and specifically in improving mutual aid in the event of a natural or man-made disaster;

Support the general objectives of the draft agreement on cooperation in the field of civil protection and specifically in the areas of predicting and preventing major hazards and improving mutual aid in the event of natural or technological disaster submitted by the Presidency on 11 September 1990;

Agree to examine, as soon as possible, together with the Commission, how the aforementioned objectives should be implemented.

(1) OJ No C 176, 4. 7. 1987, p. 1.

(2) OJ No C 44, 23. 2. 1989, p. 3.