With a view to continuity, the renewal period should be increased from the present two years to three or more years. In addition, the composition and distribution of the members by country and by sector and sub-sector should be subject to revision at regular predetermined intervals so that they can be regularly adapted to take account of developments in the situation, while maintaining the numerical equality between the three categories and ensuring that each of the players is at least represented.

The number of members of the new structure for dialogue must be sufficient to guarantee adequate representation of the interests of the coal and steel sectors and their sub-sectors and of representative organisations or Member States in the European Union, in view of the extension of the field of activity to include the sectors upstream and downstream of the sectors currently defined by the ECSC Treaty. Any excessive reduction in relation to the present composition of the ECSC Consultative Committee would undermine the very aims of the structured sectoral dialogue.

Operating budget and secretariat

In order to remain active, the structured sectoral dialogued needs:

— relatively permanent interlocutors in the various European Union bodies,

— a permanent secretariat of European officials ensuring the required neutrality,

— an operating budget similar to that of the present Consultative Committee so that all the members can perform their duties to the full,

— the timely creation of the new structure for dialogue so that it can take over from the ECSC Consultative Committee without a break in continuity.

Non-opposition to a notified concentration

(Case No IV/M.1456 — Dura/Adwest)

(1999/C 130/04)

(Text with EEA relevance)

On 11 March 1999, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 4064/89. The full text of the decision is only available in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

— as a paper version through the sales offices of the Office for Official Publications of the European Communities (see list on the last page),

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