

55. See the Community Framework on State Aid to the Motor Vehicle Industry, OJ No C 123, 18.5.1989. The Framework on State Aid to the EC Motor Vehicle Industry was not greeted with unanimous approval by the EC Member States. Both Spain and Germany initially refused to comply with its notification requirements. However, Spain subsequently acceded to the framework after a procedure was opened against the two countries under the EEC Treaty (EC Commission Press Release IP(90)311). In February 1990, a negative decision was made against Germany requiring the country to fulfil the notification requirements of the Framework (EC Commission Press Release IP(90)150). The Framework is scheduled for review after two years of operation.
56. For the Framework on State Aid for R&D, see OJ No C 83, 11.4.1986.
57. For discussion of this case, see CMR 95, 483 and "France and EC agree to deal on Renault aid," Financial Times, May 23, 1990, p. 1.
58. See EC Commission, Press Release IP(90)511, June 27, 1990. In an earlier case, the EC Commission also demanded the repayment of substantial aid to the Italian government in connection with the sale of Alfa Romeo to Fiat. See OJ No L 394, 30.12.1989.
59. For example, the Commission recently approved a substantial amount of aid provided by the Spanish government to Enasa (OJ No L 367/62, 16.12.1989), the granting of aid to Ford Motor Co. for the establishment of a plant in Portugal (EC Commission Information IP(89)693) and aid given to Daimler Benz by the German government ("Brittan rebuffed over EC state aid," Financial Times, July 26, 1990)
60. EC Commission Press Release IP(90)195.
61. Id.
62. "Brittan on the trail of aid to state companies," Financial Times, November 19, 1990.
63. For example, some commentators have viewed the recent efforts by Commissioner Brittan to obtain the repayment of subsidies by the French state-owned car manufacturer, Renault, as an attack on the mixed enterprise system operated by France and other EC countries. For discussion, see "Sir Leon and the subsidy mountain," The Economist, June 9, 1990, p. 13.
64. EC Commission Press Release, IP(88)813, December 15, 1988.