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The following notification, dated 9 November 1992, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Austria concerning changes to the basic notification in document L/6630/Add.12 dated 11 February 1991.

SUBSIDIES TO INDUSTRY

	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
			(mill AS)		
1. <u>Mining Promotion Scheme</u> Amount of Subsidy	146	105	232	228	210
2. <u>Rescue aid scheme under the Financial Guarantee Act</u> Amount of Subsidy	21	18	17	15	3
3. <u>Research and Development Fund for the Manufacturing Sector</u> Amount of Subsidy	392	395	416	320	558
4. <u>Innovation and Technology Fund</u> Amount of Subsidy	0	214	198	272	312
5. <u>Investment scheme for the acceleration of structural change ("TOP-scheme")</u> Amount of Subsidy	392	472	400	400	400
6. <u>Joint regional support scheme</u> Amount of Subsidy	73	191	119	132	117

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	(Mill AS)				
7. <u>Regional investment premium</u> ¹	-	-	-	-	251
8. <u>Guarantees under the Financial Guarantee Act</u>					
Payments on Guarantees	34	40	39	37	135
9. <u>Grants for new enterprises under the Financial Guarantee Act</u>					
Amount of Subsidy	388	278	99	89	54
10. <u>Fund for Environmental Protection</u>					
Amount of Subsidy	345	821	711	721	721
11. <u>Support for small and medium sized enterprises</u>					
- The Small Firm Development Scheme					
Amount of Subsidy	50	64	74	58	37
- The Investment Support Scheme under the "Act for Structural Improvement"					
Amount of Subsidy	163	133	136	129	104
- The Support Scheme for New Small and Medium Sized Enterprises					
Amount of Subsidy	31	36	49	34	38
12. <u>Employment-related measures</u>					
- The "Labour Market Promotion Law"					
Amount of Subsidy	540	493	166	37	291
- The Employment Programme by the Labour Market Administration					
Amount of Subsidy	129	55	71	117	76
13. <u>Export promotion</u>					
Federal budget amounts involved ¹	-2,471	251	-1,420	1,776	2,280

¹ Minus sign means net revenues.

Regional investment premium: This scheme has the goal to support endogenous growth potentials in regional problem areas. Support is restricted to regional problem areas and to innovative production in sectors without problems of over-capacity; enterprises up to 300 employees are eligible. Supported activities are restructuring, investment in innovative products and immaterial investment.

Investment costs are supported in general by 10 per cent. Investments that result in markedly higher employment of local labour force in especially problematic areas may qualify for rates of assistance up to 30 per cent.