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ABSTRACT

Selected industrial deposit in Greece - kaolin, feldspar, quartz, clays, zeolites, bentonites, perlite, silica and illite were studied in the field. Deposits of kaolin, metarhyolite and gravel sand were sampled by 100 kg each from the point of view of promising reserves and quality for semi-industrial tests. Small samples for laboratory testing were taken from all deposits. Concerning further industrial exploitation of Greek non-metallic raw materials especially of kaolin, quartz and feldspar in ceramic and glass industries, the unambiguous need for the kaolin processing plant establishment has been recommended. Production of feldspar and quartz is ensured by several companies in Greece and therefore there is no urgent need for erecting other up-grading plants. In case of zeolites and mainly bentonites, possibilities of non-traditional applications have been evaluated and proposed. Exploitation of lower-grade bentonites from Milos island would be especially prosperous for these purposes.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Within the framework of the UNIDO Project DP/GRE/86/008 Technical Assistance to Institute of Geological and Mineral Exploration (IGME) for the Development of Non-metallic Industrial Minerals in Greece, three UNIDO experts, Messrs. M. Kužvart, Z. Štěpánek and P. Duchek were appointed as Consultants with the duration of the mission of one month (Messrs Z. Štěpánek and P. Duchek) and two months (Mr. M. Kužvart). The experts were attached to IGME to assist in the effort of substituting imported non-metallics with locally existing ones and their application in known as well as non-traditional sectors of industry and agriculture.

The activity of consultants was outlined in their Job Descriptions DP/GRE/86/008/11-01, 11-02, 11-04/D 134119 which are attached as Annex 1. The main duties were specified as follows:

- 1) To review existing geological, technological and economic data related to various areas in Greece favoured with the existence of selected industrial minerals
- 2) To visit selected areas of interest, to select and prepare samples.
- 3) To propose applications of traditional and new processing methods for different uses of products.
- 4) To assess economy on the possibility of industrial exploitation and production of new products from known industrial minerals.
- 5) To train the IGME personnel
- 6) To submit a report containing major observations, findings and recommendations.

Although Greece is favoured by the existence of a wide variety of non-metallics (marble, bentonite, magnesite, perlite, pumice etc.) some of important raw materials are imported either partially or fully to cover local demands of various industrial sectors.

From the point of view of non-metallic raw materials monitored within this project, only kaolin exhibits a higher share of consumption over production the difference being ensured by imports. The Greek production itself covers about 30% of the total kaolin demand and 60 - 100,000 tpa should be imported. Quartz and feldspar economic data are not mapped to such an extent as for kaolin, it can be supposed that relatively big processing plants of MEVIOR S.A. and PORCEL are able to saturate market demands of Greece to a certain extent. The quality of quartz and feldspar as being advertised is high enough to meet requirements of different industrial sectors. Owing to the fact that new producers MEVIOR S.A. and PORCEL are focusing on extraction, crushing, grinding and drying of quartz, feldspar, wollastonite, mica, dolomite and limestone, the topic of local kaolin production seems to be very important from the point of view of anti-imports regulations.

During the field activity of UNIDO experts, several localities of the most important non-metallics were visited, evaluated and sampled. Twenty point samples as well as 300 kg of large scale samples will be thoroughly analyzed in frame of this Project aiming at further orientation of geological survey and proposal of industrial up-grading and applicability of products.

Localities which were large-scale sampled represent further reserves of kaolin (Skala Messotopou-Lesvos island), feldspar (Kato Potamia) and sand (Haniotis). Concerning bentonites found on the Milos island, they represent the raw material of top quality being controlled by several mining companies of which, Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. is the biggest one. However, some bentonites of lower content of montmorillonite being also found on Milos exhibit depression in extraction due to marketing difficulties. For this type of material, special activations by common inorganic salts aiming at new products utilizable mostly as flocculating agents suitable for wastewater purification will be advantageous. It will result not only in a better exploitation of bentonite reserves and enhancing of extraction in quarries opened earlier but also in contributing significantly to environmental protection in Greece. Natural zeolites are

another example of non-metallic industrial mineral with plenty uses. Its outstanding sorption and ion-exchange properties are inter alia widely utilized in environmental engineering for removal of ammonia from wastewaters. The reserves of natural zeolites in the north-eastern Greece are big enough to be exploited in classic and non-traditional spheres.

As the fielding of UNIDO experts was performed in June-July, 1987 with many duties carried out jointly, it was decided by UNIDO Headquarters, Vienna, to prepare one joint terminal report covering all activities executed. In the report, the authors contributed as follows:

- Mr. P. Duchek - Chapters I, II, III, - 1,2,4,5
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The scheme of UNIDO experts' field activity is attached in Annex 19.

II. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Institute of Geological and Mineral Exploration (IGME) represents a highly experienced centre with professionally skilled personnel for conducting geological, geophysical and geochemical exploration, metallics and non-metallics research and testing of raw materials under interest.
2. The laboratories of IGME are very well equipped for conducting testing and researching of different problems of metallic and non-metallic raw materials.
3. The main areas of mineral occurrence have been identified by IGME:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Macedonia - | silica sand, feldspar, quartz, olivinite (dunite) and dolomite |
| Thrace - | silica sand, feldspar, zeolite, |
| Western Greece and Ionian Islands - | gypsum |
| Crete - | gypsum |
| Milos Island - | perlite, kaolin, bentonite, silica, pozzolana |
| Central Greece and Euboea - | bauxite, magnezite, dolomite, |
| Northern Greece - | asbestos, chromite, magnezite |
| Lesvos Island - | kaolin |
| Nisyros and Yali Islands - | pumice |

4. In some instances the exploration (and later possible exploitation) of non-metallic mineral resources is blocked due to negative attitude of the landowner. On the other hand, law is more favourable to the metallic ores, which might be explored and mined under certain conditions also on private land for the benefit of the landowner and the Republic. Legal reform which will put non-metals and metals on the same level, will boost the utilization of non-metallics substantially. Building raw materials (sand, gravel,

brick loam, stone for aggregate) should not be included to this reform.

5. The results of systematic documentation of occasional cuttings of roads, channels a. o. might be important for future geological research, when the cuttings will no more be accessible. This task can be done by the regional geologist, and documentation (in the scale 1:20 or 1:50) with legend and explanatory text should be collected in an archive.

The same should be valid for all borings done for other than purely exploratory purposes (e.g. hydrogeological borings).

6. The quality of research reports (geological, petrographical, mineralogical, technological, hydrogeological a. o.) will gain, if they will be subject to reviewing by a specialist from IGME or any other institution. Reviewer's report and author's attitude and replies to the rebukes should be taken into consideration by a committee of IGME nominated by the Director General. This committee should be responsible for the designation of reviewers.

7. During the mission of UNIDO experts, following deposits of non-metallic raw materials were visited together with selected IGME's staff:

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| Macedonia - | feldspar, quartz (Assiros, Kilkis, Argiroupoli, Kolhiko, Analipsi) |
| Halkidiki - | red clay, granite, sand (Simandra, Sithonia, Haniotis) |
| Thrace - | feldspar, quartz, silica sand, zeolite (Krikos, Dikea, Tolos, Feres) |
| Lesvos Island - | kaolin |
| Milos Island - | bentonite, perlite, kaolin, illite, silica |

8. Following the Job Descriptions, briefing at the UNIDO Headquarters as well as discussions with IGME counterpart in Greece several studies were conducted with following recommendations:
 - a) Of all kaolin, feldspar and quartz deposits studied in the field, three were chosen for further investigation: Skala

Messotopou (Lesvos Island - kaolin), Kato Potamia (feldspar) and Haniotis (quartz raw material)

These deposits have sufficient reserves, their dressability is promising, mining conditions favourable, transport conditions plausible, and no prohibitive environmental problems are anticipated. All other deposits are either small, or have low quality, their dressing would be too expensive, they are remote from motorable roads or deep-sea ports, or are already mined by a mining company.

b) To arrange for raw material model testing:

1) Kaolin

100 kg of raw kaolin, Skala Messotopou Tavari (together 5 samples of 20 kg each from different spots of locality)

2) Feldspar

100 kg of raw feldspar, Kato Potamia (together 5 samples of 20 kg each, KP1 - KP5, from different spots of locality)

3) Sand

60 kg of arkose sand, Haniotis (together 4 samples of 15 kg each, 1-4, from different spots of locality)

In case of positive proved results of model tests, further pilot-plant tests demanding 1-5 t of raw material should be performed. Further on, high exploratory workings (trenches and shallow borings) proposed in the report, aimed at the assessment of reserves sufficient for 20-30 years of exploitation, should start immediately afterwards. The positive result of the whole geological and technological study will be the reduction of imports of kaolin, feldspar and quartz, as postulated by the Background Information in the Job Description.

c) To arrange for raw material laboratory testing:

1) 2 kg of kaolin, Skala Messotopou Spiglia, 2 samples of 1 kg each

2) 2 kg of kaolin, Skala Messotopou, 2 samples of 1 kg each

3) 28 kg of zeolite, Metaxades (7 kg of fine-grained, 9 kg of

middle-grained, 12 kg of coarse-grained)

- 4) 12.5 kg of metaarkose, Analipsi (5 samples of 2.5 kg each)
- 5) 2 kg of zeolite, Ferres
- 6) 1 kg of white material Skoutaros (2 samples of 0.5 kg each)
- 7) 0.5 kg of kaolin, Petra
- 8) 5 kg of illite, Kumaria (Milos Island)
- 9) 1.5 kg of bentonite, Milos Island (3 samples of 0.5 kg each)

The laboratory testing will evaluate the quality, possible sectors of utilization and will focus the attention to a detailed geological prospection.

9. Some deposits of feldspar and quartz are industrially exploited, e. g. by MEVIOR S. A. Company in Assiros region and by PORCEL company in Tholos region. There is also a private extracting without detailed data on amount and quality. Exploitation of feldspar and quartz has been monitored since 1978. The production covers Greek demands, however the principal producers aim is exporting of quartz and feldspar.
10. Statistical data obtained from IGME are reflecting a long tradition in extraction, processing and export of kaolin in Greece. Despite of this fact, about 60 - 100,000 tpa of kaolin should be imported from abroad.
11. To diminish imports of kaolin, an extension of processing plant for kaolin on Lesvos Island should be considered as perspective. For preparation of feasibility study of this investment proposal, following should be done:
 - to test on a model scale 100 kg of the raw material and prove the efficiency of up-grading and quality of the product;
 - to carry out pilot-plant testing with 1-5 ton sample resulting in data for feasibility study
 - to prove quantity of utilizable reserves on the basis of pilot testing results (by geological prospecting)

12. Lower-quality grades of bentonite from Milos Island (deposit Komia - property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.) can be utilized after special activation for purification of wastewaters and sludge treatment. The company is deeply interested in this matter having all necessary presuppositions for introducing the manufacture.
13. Lower-quality grades of bentonite from Milos Island will be also suitable for agricultural purposes (soil reclamation, animal breeding). This application does not need any special processing of bentonite, only crushing or coarse grinding.
14. Perlite production is highly developed in Greece amounting about 21% of the world total production. The applications are comprising both traditional and modern sectors from which horticultural use is of the greatest extent. Silver Baryte Ores Mining Co. is performing an extensive own research on this field.
15. Zeolite which is abundant in the northern Greece but not sophisticatedly exploited, should be tested concerning inter alia its ion-exchanging and sorption properties. Its application despite of lower content of clinoptilolite could involve fields of catalysis, wastewater treatment, sorption of harmful gases and agriculture.
16. IGME research and scientific staff expressed its interest in non-traditional processing and applications of non-metallics and bentonite in particular. Concerning special activations of bentonite and its application in environmental sphere, technology of testing was suggested.
17. All objectives of the mission were fulfilled thanks to well-prepared preliminary phase and briefing by the UNIDO Headquarters Vienna, support from UNEP Athens and the active participation and co-operation of IGME.

III. SUBSTANTIVE SECTION

1. Deposits of non-metallic raw materials

According to the Project of the Technical Assistance to IGME for the Development of Non-metallic Industrial Minerals in Greece No GRE/86/008/A/01/37 (dated in December 1986), page 2, clay (kaolin) feldspar and quartz sand were chosen as main objects of the investigation.

The aim of the field and archive study was to assess deposits with sufficient reserves (for 20-30 years of exploitation) and adequate quality. The deposits should be also free for subsequent exploitation, i. e. unclaimed by any private company. Positive results of qualitative study and - in some cases - exploration results will tend to diminish or eliminate imports of the given raw materials, or to open new ways of utilization of materials in question.

Bentonite and zeolite were also evaluated and sampled concerning possible non-traditional applications of these industrial minerals mainly in environmental engineering. Special inexpensive modifications of lower-quality bentonites would be advantageous to enhance its use value.

Fourteen deposits were studied and sampled in the field, and from those most promising from the point of view of quality and reserves samples of 100 kg weight were taken.

1.1 Metaarcose (Annex 1)

The deposit is located about 25 km to ENE of Salonica, near Kolnikon - Analipsi - Drakondium sites.

This rock occurs in the Examili formation of the Serbo-Macedonian zone. The rock in question is of Permian age and is developed in a stripe several hundred meters wide and several kilometers long.

According to chemical analyses some parts of this material should be quite pure silica (average of four samples: 96.5 - 98.8 SiO_2 , 0.1 - 0.9% Fe_2O_3 (1), but the study in the field revealed that the mass of the deposit contains substantial amount of feldspar and/or chlorite and sericite. Segregation quartz is present in veinlets and lenses (thickness in cm to dm).

Five samples, each about 2 kg in weight were taken from this rock in the valley close to the east of the village Analipsi: three of them near the valley bottom, 20 m apart, another about 100 m above the valley bottom, and the last sample 200 m above the valley bottom close to a quartz vein about 6 m thick. As quartz material this rock is not usable, being most probably (as will the analyses of the five samples show) high in alkalies.

Conclusion: As a source of feldspar it is of lower quality (especially due to higher content of iron bound to chlorite) if compared with other sampled materials (e.g. metarhyolite Kato Potamia).

1.2 Red clay (Annex 1)

The locality is found in the Northern Greece on Halkidiki Peninsula some 10 km to the west of Poligiros, near the site of Simandra. The deposit Agios Panteleimon is composed of continental red sandy clays, sands with plastic clay and siltstone intercalations (Upper Miocene - Pliocene) covered on the surface with travertine hardpan. The raw material is quarried and used for production of bricks and roofing tiles.

IGME elaborated the geological-technological study (2) in which qualitative parameters based on a detailed study of this region is given (Tables I, II). The clay contains chlorite, montmorillonite, quartz, feldspar, dolomite and mica. The fraction below 0.063 mm contains 4-5% of $\text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$ and 16.15 to 19.60% Al_2O_3 . The extent of this formation is about 200 km^2 .

Geological reserves proved reach about 1 million m³ of the clay (2 million tons) but they are supposed to be higher and very perspective. For production purposes about 12,000 tpa is won and processed in the near brick factory.

Conclusion: Besides the on-going exploitation, the raw material has been tested for pottery and ornamental glazed products with hopeful results (2). It is very probable that this clay can also be used for ceiling blocks, drainage pipes as well as for floor tiles with coloured body and thus the production amount could be elevated.

Table I. Characterization of red clay from Agios Panteleimon deposit ^x

| Component | Chemical analysis in wt. % | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| | range | average | fraction below 63 μ m |
| SiO ₂ | 58.20 - 80.80 | 63.60 | 54.00 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 6.81 - 15.84 | 14.72 | 19.60 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.19 - 1.60 | 1.48 | 0.67 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 2.01 - 7.36 | 5.75 | 6.15 |
| CaO | 0.87 - 7.04 | 1.61 | 1.12 |
| MgO | 0.62 - 7.35 | 1.85 | 2.32 |
| K ₂ O | 1.00 - 3.46 | 2.91 | 3.40 |
| Na ₂ O | 1.16 - 2.82 | 2.36 | 1.48 |
| SO ₃ | 0.07 - 0.18 | - | - |
| L.O.I. | 1.52 - 10.98 | 5.46 | 10.50 |
| | samples 1-32 | average sample | fraction below 63 μ m |

^x Source: Ref. 2

X-Ray found minerals: Kaolinite
 Montmorillonite
 Chlorite
 Mica
 Dolomite
 Quartz
 Feldspar

Table II. Selected technological properties of the red clay (Agios Panteleimon locality)

| | |
|--|------------------------------|
| pH | 8.10 - 9.47 |
| water absorption (firing at 1150°C) | 12 - 14% |
| mixing water | 23 - 30 ml/1 cm ³ |
| colour of fired body (1150°C) | red |

1.3 Granite (Annex 1)

Granodiorite eluvium is located in the northern Greece (Halkidiki) on the Sitonia peninsula, about 8 km to the north-east of Neos Marmaras.

Schistose biotite and two-mica granodiorite with occasional inclusions of diorite, and with aplite, pegmatite, and quartz veins on the Sitonia peninsula weathered mechanically to a depth up to approx. 8 m. The weathering was made easier by parallel structure of the rocks giving them an appearance of gneisses. The fracture zones were the cause of greater thickness of the weathering crust. Products of weathering which are easily to eroded by running water were preserved in the relatively even parts of the backbone of the peninsula. The age of weathering was probably Upper Miocene - Pleistocene.

Three areas close to the axis of the peninsula were explored by shafts down to 13 m depth. Area No. 2 (Dragudeli) which was explored by shafts in a grid of 200 m, is situated in the central part of the peninsula between Neos Marmaras and Sarti being connected with the former town by a rough forest motorable road about 10 km long overcoming an elevation of 600 m. The raw material has the grain between 3.0 - 3.5 mm and contains 60 to 70% of both feldspars, 20% of quartz, the rest are micas and accessories. Chemical composition of raw materials from areas No. II and III are given in Table III:

Table III Chemical analyses of granite from Sithonia peninsula

| Component | Content (% wt.) | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Area No. II ^a | Area No. III ^b |
| SiO ₂ | 72.57 | 67.11 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 15.09 | 16.17 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 0.98 | 2.07 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.15 | 0.06 |
| MgO | 0.15 | 1.25 |
| CaO | 1.26 | 3.19 |
| Na ₂ O | 3.64 | 4.28 |
| K ₂ O | 3.14 | 2.11 |
| L.O.I. | 1.72 | 2.00 |

^a Ref. 3, ^b Ref. 4 (Samples of the grain size 1 mm).

The raw material was submitted for dressing by combination of flotation and magnetic separation methods (3.5) with following effect:

- 40.7% - yield of Fe-bearing minerals concentrate
(content of Fe₂O₃ 4.68%)
- 40.0% - yield of feldspathic concentrate
- 19.3% - yield of silica sand

The chemical composition of both utilizable concentrates is evident from Table IV:

Table IV. Chemical analyses of products of granite up-grading

| Component | content (% wt.) in concentrate | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| | feldspathic | quartz |
| SiO ₂ | 56.60 | 90.50 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 20.20 | 5.00 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 0.25 | 0.09 |
| CaO | 3.46 | 0.83 |
| K ₂ O | 2.90 | 1.22 |
| Na ₂ O | 6.59 | 2.01 |
| K ₂ O + Na ₂ O | 9.49 | 3.23 |

Conclusion: To reach quality of both products listed which are suitable for production of first-grade glass and ceramics, a considerably very costly up-grading technology should be applied. This would be transport-demanding and probably harmful for environment in the tourist very important site of Sithonia. On the other hand, transportation of raw material to the processing plant apart from this site would be impacting negatively on the economy of new establishment.

That is why this raw material is recommended to be considered as a reserve for potential future up-grading by grain classifying and dry magnetic separation yielding semi-processed materials with different share of feldspar and quartz according to proposed example:

1. raw material fraction +5 mm: to crush for fraction 0.01-0.6 mm (for magnetic separation), fraction less than 0.1 mm to mix with fraction 3.

2. raw material fraction 5-0.1 mm: to crush for fraction 0.1-0.6 mm (for magnetic separation), fraction less than 0.1 mm to mix with fraction 3.
3. raw material fraction -0.1 mm: semi-processed material for construction ceramics

1.4 Feldspar

This chapter comprises three types of raw materials: compact rocks, as rhyolite of Lower-Triassic age, metamorphosed during the alpine orogenesis, metamorphosed arcose (Palaeozoic), then loose uncemented rocks as gravel-sands (Upper Miocene - Pliocene - Haniotis, or Pliocene to Pleistocene - Spileo, Dikea) and granodiorite eluvia (derived by weathering during the Neogene and Quaternary).

a) The Metarhyolite (Kato Potania deposit)-Annex 1

The first deposit is situated 10 km to the east of Kilkis (Macedonia) being formed of metarhyolite in a zone 70 km x 9 to 20 km as a part of the Serbo-Macedonian zone. It was up-graded by hydrothermal leaching in a zone trending NEN-SWS 1000 x 800 m (the deposit proper), where the content of Fe_2O_3 present in chlorite and limonite, rarely in pyrite, was lowered to 0.2 - 0.3% in the grain size more than 0.1 mm in diameter. The fraction 0.1 - 0.6 mm contains highest amount of alkalies - K_2O up to 9% (Na_2O is present in low amounts). It is the proper useful substance of the deposit.

The up-graded (leached) metarhyolite is a white schistose medium-grained rock composed mostly of quartz and feldspar with veins of younger (undeformed) pegmatite several tens of centimeters thick with feldspar crystals around 2 x 4 cm and with platelets of mica. The hydrothermal activity made itself perceptible also by the origin of thin (tens of cm) baryte veins at the margins of the altered zone.

The deposit is the property of the village and is quarried for the road-building purposes. The quarry face is about 50 m long and 8 m high. It was sampled by five

Table V Chemical analyses of Kato Potamia metarhyolite

| Component | Content (% wt.) | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | KP 1 | KP 2 | KP 3 | KP 4 | KP 5 | KP 6a | KP 6b | KP 7 |
| SiO ₂ | 75.50 | 76.00 | 74.00 | 76.00 | 75.50 | 77.50 | 75.00 | 77.50 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 11.80 | 11.80 | 13.10 | 11.80 | 12.00 | 11.00 | 12.35 | 11.40 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 1.86 | 1.39 | 0.85 | 0.57 | 1.43 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.71 |
| CaO | 0.63 | 0.52 | 0.42 | 0.53 | 0.74 | 0.45 | 0.43 | 0.52 |
| MgO | 0.16 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.16 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.16 | 0.50 |
| Na ₂ O | 0.54 | 1.48 | 0.13 | 0.67 | 0.54 | 0.67 | 0.94 | 3.77 |
| K ₂ O | 8.43 | 7.70 | 9.51 | 9.00 | 8.20 | 8.20 | 9.51 | 3.97 |
| L.O.I. | 0.83 | 0.79 | 1.40 | 0.77 | 1.05 | 0.65 | 0.40 | 1.12 |
| | KP 1 | KP 2 | KP 3 | KP 4 | KP 5 | KP 6a | KP 6b | KP 7 |

samples (20 kg each) taken in horizontal channels which run perpendicular to the (vertical) foliation of metarhyolite, in following way: (Annex 5) sample No. 1 was taken near the NW edge of the quarry face, sample No. 5 was taken near the SE edge of the quarry face. The distances between the samples (and their colours) were: No. 1 (white) - 15 m, No. 2 (white) - 10 m, No. 3 (yellow) - 10 m, No. 4 (white) - 15 m, No. 5 (grey). The rock between the samples No. 2 and 3 contains chlorite and sericite. The yellowish rock from the sample channel No. 3 was sampled once more by a sample of 2 kg weight. Pegmatite, which is outcropping in sample channel No. 1 was also sampled by a small sample for petrographic study. IGME explored this deposit by 5 trenches up to 130 m long. The analytical data of the raw material found by IGME are given in Table V.

All data on the deposit show that its greatest part is hidden in depth. Reserves of the deposit are sufficient (assumed amount about 10 million tons). Their verification will be possible by means of shallow drill-holes in a grid 50 x 50 m in the foreground of the quarry face (drilled to the elevation point of the base of the quarry), probably with combination of a small power shovel for digging shallow trenches.

The exploitation of the deposit can easily occur from the present quarry. The overburden can be stripped away by a bulldozer. The transport conditions are not adverse. The area is far from tourist routes. No environmental problems are envisaged.

b) Pegmatite - potassium feldspar (Annex 1)

Pegmatites of this type are found about 5 km to the north of Paranestio (deposits Temenos, Tholos) located some 55 km to the north-west from Xanthi.

Feldspar ($K > Na$) in pegmatite veins (0.1 - 8 m thick and about 150 m long) and in pegmatite lenses (tens of meters thick and long) is a part of the Rhodope cristallin massif. This massif comprises a unique concentration of

pegmatites in Europe. The wall rock of pegmatite is gneiss, granite or amphibolite, which is in some places outside the area in question accompanied by marbles and graphitic rocks. Parent rock of pegmatite - granite - is supposed to be at depth.

The veins contain up to 14.5% of alkalis, in most cases as K_2O only. On the other hand, the pegmatite lenses contain K - feldspar and Na -feldspar in a ratio 7:3, the content of alkalis being 11 - 13%, and of quartz 8%. This material contains biotite, almandine and spessartine, all iron-bearing minerals. After magnetic separation the content of Fe_2O_3 is 0.12 - 0.14% only.

Seven deposits in the area of Temenos, Tholos and Silli are prepared for exploitation, mostly the pegmatite lenses (reserves about 1 mil. tons). They are quarried in several benches opening the lenses (dipping under $30 - 35^\circ$ to E) along their strike. The irregular network of pegmatite veins and veinlets in gneiss, granite or aplite (which is not utilized) is blasted at large and feldspar lumps are then selected and hauled to up-grading. The overburden of pegmatites is negligible (tens of cm).

c) Pegmatite - sodium feldspar (Annex 2)

Sodium feldspar deposits are located about 10 km to the north from Soufli round the sites of Protoklisi and Korimonos. Protoklisi pegmatite veins with Na -feldspar and accessory tourmaline occur in amphibole schists. Their thickness is up to 20 m, as is the case of a vein exploited on an area about 30×40 m 2 km to the S of Protoklisi. The pegmatite contains 6.45% K_2O and 1.0% of Fe_2O_3 . The quarried area is controlled.

Pegmatite veins with 50 m thick and 150 m long with Na -feldspar, muscovite (up to 4 cm thick books) and accessory tourmaline occur in amphibole schists between Korimvos and Metaxades. It contains 5.7% Na_2O , 1.3% K_2O and 1.2% Fe_2O_3 . Feldspar grain size of pegmatites near Protoklisi and Korimvos is 1 - 10 cm. They are lacking the zonal structure usual in thick pegmatite bodies, and typical by its central zone with

microcline crystals one meter or more in diameter. The Korimos deposit is exploited by the ELVIOR company.

Sodium and potassium feldspathic raw materials from deposits described above are brought into a processing plant which is based about 5 km from Paranestio site, very close to places of potassium feldspar occurrence. The plant is owned by the PORCEL company and was put into operation just in time of UNIDO experts' mission in June, 1987.

In the near future, other up-grading plants for processing pegmatites are considered seriously to be erected and located near far deposits of sodium feldspar occurrence.

Conclusion: There are also other plants for processing feldspars in Greece of which the establishment near Salonica was visited. The plant is described in chapter 2 and produces also suitable feldspar grades for glass industry and ceramics.

As found from visiting deposits of feldspars and from information given, Greece can be self-sufficient in production of this indispensable mineral providing that there will be a reasonable ratio between export-import amounts.

1.5 Sands

According to ascertained data (6) Greek demand for silica sand is currently satisfied by imports predominantly from Belgium, Luxembourg, smaller imports being from Bulgaria, Spain and Yugoslavia reaching approximately 120,000 tons per year. As the production of glass amounts to about 150,000 tpa (of which approximately 50% represents container glass, 35-40% flat glasses and 10-15% other forms of glass including glass wool) it is therefore in Greece's interest to find a cost effective alternative source of silica sand.

a) Spilea - Dikea deposits near Greek-Bulgarian-Turkish joint border point (Annex 2)

Spilea fluvial gravel-sands of Pliocene - Pleistocene age are quarried for building purposes (subbase, road base) in a cutting 80 m long and 10 m high. The uppermost part of

the deposit is very coarse grained pebble, which must be either dumped or crushed. Granitoids (granites, pegmatites), volcanic rocks and serpentinites are the most common rocks, composing the pebbles. Cross bedding is often. The deposit covers tens of square kilometers. It was sampled in the quarry face (sample Krios 1-10 kg). Sample Krios 2 from a probably antitank trench 100 m long and 4 m deep about 1.5 km W of Krios 1 was taken earlier and studied in Czechoslovakia. It has higher content of sandy fraction and thin intercalations of green clay.

The face of a sand pit 20 m long and 8 m high at the road Spileo-Dikea just above the valley bottom with cross-bedded fluvial gravel-sands was sampled (Dikea 1, 20 kg, vertical channel sample 1.5 m long, between two beds with large pebbles, but without them). In one place of the face the bedding of sand is disturbed as if by cryoturbation (which might be the case provided that the Rhodope Mts. were glaciated 18 000 years ago or earlier). Disturbed beds are impregnated by limonite cementing the sands to such a degree that thin beds of sandstone originate. The overburden of gravel-sand is negligible - 0.1 to 0.2 m.

Conclusion: Results of model up-grading tests which have been carried out on this material show that it cannot be supposed as a source of glass and foundry sands. Some possibilities of application may be in ceramics but the detailed testing including evaluation of presence of minerals in separated fractions of the raw material is to be performed.

b) Haniotis on Kassandra Peninsula (Annex 1)

Almost the whole surface of Kassandra is covered by Pliocene-Pleistocene gravel-sands. The area for sampling (and future exploitation) was chosen near the central ridge of the peninsula about 250 m high 5 km to the SW of Haniotis. That is a guarantee that the tourist areas on both coasts of the peninsula will not be disturbed by the exploitation (but they will be troubled, unfortunately, by the transport of the raw material between Haniotis and Nea Fokea).

The deposit belongs to the cover of the Vardar tectonic and seismic zone. The Serbo-Macedonian massif was thrust westward on Vardar zone, which was submerged to depth with the exception of small "islands" of rocks of mostly Jurassic age between the Cape Paliouri and Thessaloniki. The sedimentation basin formed as described was filled by debris of weathered near by rocks. In the area of Kassandra, fortunately, it was the Sithonia granite of the Serbo-Macedonian zone, and not carbonate rocks like elsewhere. Very young (Upper Pleistocene) tectonic movements in the Vardar zone heaved the gravel-sands by several hundreds of meters and formed the Kassandra peninsula and the deposit under study.

The deposit is built by subhorizontal beds of alternating quartz and feldspar gravels and sands with intercalations of pebbles 5-10 cm in diameter or beds of very hard sandstones about 10 cm thick. In some places cross bedding occurs. Gravel-sands were deposited in streams which often changed their course and velocity.

The content of feldspar is about 30% (the content of alkalis is 4-5%), quartz 70%. The ratio Na-feldspar/K feldspar changes from 1.2:1. The Fe_2O_3 content is about 1.5% (fraction above 2 mm 1.1%, fraction 0.25 - 2 mm about 2%, fraction less than 0.25 mm 4%). Fraction 0.08 - 0.5 mm after magnetic separation (20 000 Gauss) contains only 0.3-0.7% Fe_2O_3 , but the crushing lasts 3 times longer than crushing of the disintegrated granite from Sithonia (see further), supposedly the parent rock of the gravel-sands on Kassandra.

Three vertical channel samples 1.5 - 2 m long, 25 kg each were taken along the road on the crest of the peninsula - No 1 being the southernmost and 200 m distant from No 2 and 300 m from No 3. Sample No 4 was taken 700 m to the NE and on an elevation about 70 m lower than samples No 1, 2, 3. This was done to verify the thickness and homogeneity of the deposit as well as the areal extent of the deposit. In the cross section of the sample No 3 there is an intercalation of hard sandstone 10 cm thick, in the channel sample No 4 is a clay lense about 70 cm thick and 140 cm long.

From the above description of the deposit follows that the raw material beneficiated by screening and magnetic separation may be the source of quartz-feldspar batch usable in the ceramic body. After crushing and flotation, quartz for glass industry and feldspar for the ceramic industry might be obtained. For all applications it should be kept in mind that Na- and K- feldspars present side by side in the raw material might complicate the usability. Their behaviour in the technological process should be thoroughly examined.

Conclusion: The locality is state-owned without any present significant extraction. Reserves of the deposit are large, even if only the area covered by samples 1, 2 and 3 is taken in consideration. This can be verified by one (hand-drill) borehole near the crest of the peninsula in the area of samples No 1, 2, 3 (to assess the thickness) and by a grid of exploratory cut-offs in the slopes of hills, probably by means of a small power shovel.

The mining conditions are good; the deposit can be exploited in an open pit (face quarry) with a power shovel. Transport and environmental problems were shortly discussed above.

1.6 Arkose (Annex 2)

This locality is situated about 40 km to the north from Xanthi, round Theotokato-Satres district, about 10 km from a motorable road in Satres. The path from Satres crosses two ridges about 250 m high each and is passable only on foot or on muleback taking about two hours.

Tilted or folded beds of fine-grained arkose with greenish tint (chlorite) are alternating with beds of coarse grained arkose passing to conglomerate. The whole sequence hundreds of meters thick is Eocene (Priabonian) age and fills a small intermontane depression in the crystalline formations of the Rhodope massif. In places it is covered by basaltoid andesite (Upper Eocene).

Arkoses found here were twice tested in the UNIDO-Czechoslovakia Joint Programme in Pilsen (3, 4). It was concluded that only applying of flotation and magnetic separation up-grading can lead to the applicable product (Table VI).

Table VI. Basic results of testing of arkoses from Theotokato-Satres locality ^a

| Sample No | starting material | | yield of fraction ^b (%) | product (%) | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| | Fe ₂ O ₃ (%) | TiO ₂ (%) | | Feldspath | | Quartz | |
| | | | | Fe ₂ O ₃ | TiO ₂ | Fe ₂ O ₃ | TiO ₂ |
| 1. | 2.59 | 0.49 | 26.1 | 0.26 | 0.16 | 0.92 | 0.10 |
| 2. | 1.25 | 0.26 | 32.0 | 0.19 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.14 |
| 3. | 3.98 | 0.78 | 29.6 | 1.04 | 0.39 | 1.83 | 0.47 |

^a Source: Ref. 4, ^b Fraction 0.1 - 0.3 mm.

Conclusions: Taking into consideration the variable quality of arkoses from this locality, especially the high content of Fe₂O₃, necessity of relatively costly up-grading technologies as well as accessibility, transport difficulties and infrastructural conditions of this region, exploitation of this deposit does not seem to be perspective in the near future. That is why no samples were taken for testing and it is recommended to pay attention to quartz-feldspathic materials from other regions which are more suitable for processing from the techno-economic point of view.

1.7 Zeolites (Annex 2)

Zeolite are industrial minerals of growing importance in many regions in human's activity. Regardless of synthetic zeolites which are of indispensable use as catalysts mainly in petrochemistry, naturally occurring material is an important research topic studied in all developing countries. The largest market for natural zeolites is in Europe with about 90% of its utilization in construction industry in the form of

building stone, in cement production and as a low density insulating material. But there exist a lot of other exploitations which are dealt in Chapter 4 in detail.

In the northern Greece two important localities of natural zeolites were visited the first being about 3 km to the west of Ferres near Alexandroupoli (Annex 2).

Rhyolite is an early stage of zeolitization (clinoptilolite originates) is quarried in shallow pits on an area 100 x 100 m and utilized for repairing unpaved roads. It is very hard, not usable as a zeolite raw material. About 3 km to the SW there occurs a laminated mordenite tuff outcropping on a small hill about 50 m in diameter. The sample taken here will be used in experiments with cleaning sewage waters, especially with removal of ammonia. In case of positive results, one boring 30 m deep at the foot of the small hill, and exploration trench from foot to the crest of the hill will verify sufficient reserves.

The second deposit is situated near Metaxades, about 19 km to the west-north-west from Didimothio near Greek-Bulgarian border (Annex 2).

Three zeolite lenses - 1.5 km, 1 km and 0.5 km long strike NE-SW. The longest of them is cut by the river Erithropotamos and opened by two quarries with faces 150 and 100 m long and 30 m high (the thickness of zeolite is higher) on both sides of the valley. The quarry on the NW river bank is still operating. Zeolite is of Eocene (Priabonian) age and is covered by a lumachella bed 0.5 - 1 m thick (Upper Eocene) and with progressively thicker (up to 15 m) bed of limestone. This growing thickness of overburden will soon limit the operation in the quarry. (Here it is necessary to mention that the quarry on the opposite side across the valley was not abandoned because the deposit was exhausted, but the quarry face met the boundary of another private property. The overburden on this part of the deposit is not so thick as in the other quarry).

The zeolite body is not homogeneous. Very fine grained zeolite (sample 1) up to 1 m thick alternates with middle grained (sample 2) and coarse grained zeolite (sample 3) with

relics of tuffaceous material. Zeolite raw material is composed of clinoptilolite (50-55%), quartz, feldspar and accessory montmorillonite. The content of clinoptilolite is not very high, and the material is not homogeneous.

It is supposed that the Eocene volcano that produced ash (tuff) - the parent rock of zeolite - was on the territory of what is now Bulgaria.

Another zeolite deposit with 70% clinoptilolite near Lefkimi (thickness 300 m, length 3 km) encloses blocks of unaltered volcanic material. It is not open for exploration or exploitation being in a natural reserve of rare species of serpents and birds.

Conclusion: Before any speculation about possible selective exploitation of fine-grained zeolite only (the other types being left for building purposes, as it is the case with all types of the material up to now), a thorough investigation of this material for utilization in agriculture and environmental protection (ammonia removal from wastewaters) should be done.

1.8 Bentonite (Annex 3)

Greece belongs to the world's most important producers of bentonite which is found in bulk in the island of Milos and a smaller quantity of white bentonite is extracted on nearby Kimolos. Three main producers of this mineral on Milos island are Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co., Mykobar Mining Co. and Mediterranean Bentonite Co. Ltd. of which the first one is the largest. The overall production of raw bentonite in 1985 reached 887.000 tones. Some 2.850 tons of bentonite was produced in a crushed form and 240.000 tons was activated into sodium form. The export data (1985) for Greek bentonite show amounts of 58.670 t of the crude form, 584 t of the crushed and 224.000 t of activated raw material. Greek bentonite, in addition to principal applications in drilling industry also has the outlets in iron ore pelletization, civil engineering and foundries. Iron ore pelletizing industries of the Netherlands and Canada are supplied nearly exclusively by the Milos bento-

nite which meet all demanded parameters. From the economic point of view, low freight costs across the Atlantic ocean allow Greek bentonite to compete successfully in Canada with US raw material which is very costly to be transported overland.

During the mission, several bentonite quarries managed by the Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. on the Milos island were visited. In all cases the calcium montmorillonite is the principal mineral of bentonite composition. Two mineralogically different types of bentonite were seen and evaluated:

1. pure bentonite containing up to 90% of montmorillonite with minority of admixtures (deposits Migikolo, Mitakas, Angeria)
2. bentonite containing also α - quartz, cristoballite and alunite (deposits Komia, Tria Pigadia).

a) Deposit Migikolo

3 km to the SW of Voudia on Milos island (property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.)

The outcrop of the bentonite body is 2 km long and 200 m wide, the depth of exploitation pit is 70 m. The green colour of the bentonite changes through oxidation to yellow with no change of the technological properties. Markasite is present as accessory. It does not influence the quality.

b) Deposit Angeria

Immediately to the W of Migikolo (property of Silver and Baryte Mining Co.) Very pure bentonite with 95% of montmorillonite is exploited in a pit with the wall 30 m high, but it reaches to depth below the sea level. It is activated with soda and used in drilling technique.

c) Deposit Komia

3 km to the south of Voudia. The raw material is composed of about 60-65% of montmorillonite. 22% of cristoballite, about of 3% of α -quartz and alunite. Due to the lower content of the active montmorillonite and subsequent quality problems the production declined markedly in last years contributing only by 5% for the total amount of raw bentonite quarried although geological reserves are speaking of

2 million tons. Another bentonitic body of this type which reserves have been estimated to be at least 4 million tons is also exploited sporadically. The former annual production of 70,000-90,000 tons declined to only 2-3,000 tons in 1986.

The only present important utilization of bentonite with cristoballite is for iron-ore pelletization. Contamination of bentonite with α -quartz prevents it from foundry applications and drilling uses. Bentonites of lower quality should be utilized for hydropony (together with expanded perlite) and for treating wastewaters.

Conclusions: Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. produces inter alia first-grade bentonite suitable for all its principal uses exporting a great deal of the production. On the other hand, the material with a lower montmorillonite content is marketable with difficulties and it would be worth starting research in the field of non-traditional activations as will be described in Chapter 4. The obtained data indicate suitability of the clay for special modifications by means of ion-exchanging and sorption. Two small samples of the first quality bentonite and one sample of the bentonite with cristoballite admixture (montmorillonite content given about 60%), each of 0.5 kg weight, were taken for special testing for its non-traditional applications.

1.9 Perlite (Annex 3)

Perlite is abundant in the Greek islands of Milos, Kos, Lesbos and Antiparos. Greece is the third largest producer of perlite after the U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. (see Table VII) although having nearly the same production as U.S.S.R.

Table VII. World production of crude perlite in 1984 (tonnes)

| Producent | Production | % of total world production |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------------|
| U.S.A. | 592.000 | 35 |
| U.S.S.R. | 360.000 | 21 |
| Greece | 358.000 | 21 |

Source: Industrial Minerals, November 1986

Production of raw perlite fell under 300.000 tons in 1985 (7):

| <u>Production (1985)</u> | | <u>Export (1985)</u> | |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| raw perlite | 240.000 t | raw perlite | 30.000 t |
| screened product | 161.161 t | screened product | 160.134 t |

Two different perlite deposits were visited on Milos island:

- a) Trahilas; to the north of the Milos capital Plaka (property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.)

A huge deposit of perlite (reserves 300 mil. t, thickness 300 m) with 3% of combined water covered by marine terrace sediments several meters thick yields about 180.000 t yearly (potential is also 200.000 t per year). It is crushed, classified and exported presently to the eastern coast of U.S.A. (60 000 t per year), India, Rep. of South Africa. Before the appearance of the market of perlite from Armenia it was exported also to Europe. After expanding perlite is used as filler aid and for insulation purposes.

- b) Provatas, 3 km to the South-west from the Airport of Milos (property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.)

Perlite deposit of lower quality as compared with the raw material from the Tranhilas deposit, with reserves about 500 mil. t, is used for building purposes only.

1.10 Kaolin, illite

Note on nomenclature. The Project mentions clay as one of three targets of the investigation. As clay are designated raw materials with substantial content of clay substance (less than 0.02 mm), e. g. bentonite, ball clay, refractory clay, kaolin a. o. Bentonite exploited in Greece for decades is outside of the scope of investigation. Ball clays and refractory clays (kaolinite clays) are washed-over and sedimented products of weathering. They are rare in Greece, e. g. ceramic clays in Arkadia and Lakonia, and clays

at Lefkogia near Drama, which are cited by some authors). Kaolin is a residual rock (on the place where it originated either by weathering or hydrothermal - solfataric activity). Because of its clay mineral (kaolinite) content it is also sometimes designated as clay. Among all above mentioned raw materials kaolin was the target of our investigation.

All four kaolin deposits under study belong to the hydrothermal-solfataric type (8). Compared with kaolin deposits of the weathering crust, whose erosion remnants cover tens of square kilometers of feldspathic parent rocks, the deposits of the hydrothermal-solfataric type are smaller - usually tens of thousands square meters. They are elongated parallel to the fracture or fault which was the channel of circulation of hot waters, which gave rise not only to kaolinite, but also to alunite and pyrite (near the surface), and illite, montmorillonite and cristoballite (in depth, and in zone as the margin of the deposit). These deposits usually being small, do not provide enough of material for kaolinite clays in the vicinity of the primary deposit, to form by erosion and redeposition of the residual rock, as is the case with extensive kaolin deposits of the weathering derivation.

IGME proposed the kaolin deposits on the island Lesbos (Mytilene) for field investigation.

Lesbos is with its 1630 km² the largest island in the northern part of the Aegean Sea. The north-eastern part of the island, where the kaolin deposits are situated, is built by volcanic rocks (lavas and tuffs) - dacite, rhyodacite, latite and andesite. Their age is Upper Miocene - Lower Pliocene.

1. Skala Messotopou (10 km to the SE Eressos on Lesbos)
(Annex 4)

The parent rock of kaolin is andesite tuff of Neogene age with lapilli and volcanic bombs (8). The fumaroles which gave rise to kaolin were bound to a zone 1.5 km long striking NEN-SWS, which conforms with main tectonic zones on Lesbos island as well as in the western part of Anatolia. Kaolinization along the zone is not continuous being divided in four individual segments originated along separate

hydrothermal channels.

The southernmost segment designated as No. 4 (locality Tavari) is the largest (400 x 150 m) and most homogeneous as far as mineralogical composition is concerned. Chemical and mineralogical analyses of this material are given in Table VIII.

Other parts of the altered zone are smaller in extent, heterogeneous, mostly with alunite (10-70%), cristoballite (traces up to 35%), and traces of jarosite, markasite and feldspar.

Southern segment of the altered zone was chosen for detailed sampling (Annex 6). Five samples 20 kg each of hard white kaolin with violet or pink tint in some places were taken in a cutting 400 m to NE from St. Nicolas in following way: samples 4a, 4b and 4c were taken in the front face, 4b 2 m below it, 4c near the bottom in a vertical channel 1 m long). Sample 4d was taken from the wall of the cutting 5 m from the face, sample 4e from the opposite wall 4 m from sample 4d.

For verification of reserves sufficient for 20-30 years of anticipated yearly production at least one boring about 50 m deep should be done in the deposit on the elevation about 75 m above sea level. The assumed boundary of the deposit as pictured in the paper of Mattias and Kanaris (8) and in the unpublished geological map 1:5000 should be verified by exploratory trenches perpendicular to the boundary of the deposit.

By the same method should be verified the extent of alunite mineralization in the northern part of the deposit Tavari, especially if sample No. 3 (see further) should be rich in this mineral which is damaging to all equipment for thermal processing of kaolin.

The exploitation of the deposit Tavari can occur by a quarry with several levels 5-10 m high. The overburden and the wall rock should be kept carefully from kaolin, and dumped 20-25 m above the sea level. At this elevation should the deposit be opened for exploitation by the lowermost level.

Two smaller heterogeneous kaolin outcrops to NEN of the deposit just described were also sampled (2 kg each sample):

Table VIII Chemical and mineralogical data on raw kaolin from Skala Messotopou-Lesvos island

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| SiO ₂ | 55.30 | 59.20 | 53.70 | 44.50 | 56.30 | 53.60 | 56.93 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.76 | 0.62 | 0.35 | 0.45 | 0.65 | 0.95 | 0.81 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 26.90 | 21.00 | 21.90 | 29.80 | 27.00 | 25.20 | 28.13 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 0.55 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 2.99 | 0.32 | 0.73 | 0.98 |
| CaO | 0.29 | 0.26 | 0.19 | 0.26 | 0.29 | 0.29 | 0.17 |
| MgO | 0.18 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 0.20 | 0.23 | 0.34 | 0.07 |
| MnO | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | |
| Na ₂ O | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.18 | 0.50 | 0.11 |
| K ₂ O | 0.75 | 0.44 | 1.88 | 1.17 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.08 |
| P ₂ O ₄ | 1.88 | 1.72 | 1.72 | 1.99 | 1.03 | 1.81 | |
| L.O.I. | 12.10 | 14.20 | 17.22 | 16.90 | 12.70 | 14.70 | 11.09 |
| | 27 | 28 | 31 | 33 | 34 | 36 | |
| | by P. Mattias and G. Kanaris | | | | | | +/ |
| K | 65-70 | 90 | 40-45 | 95 | 95 | 95 | |
| A | 15 | 10 | 20-25 | - | - | - | |
| J | tr | - | - | tr | - | tr | |
| Cr | 15 | - | 30-35 | - | - | - | |
| Q | - | - | - | - | tr | tr | |
| F | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| M | tr | - | - | - | - | tr | |
| I | - | - | - | - | tr | - | |

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K kaolinite
 A alunite
 Cr cristoballite
 Q quartz
 F feldspar
 I illite

sample No 1 (locality Spilia 300 x 150 m) 400 m to the N from the elevation point 179.4 - white kaolin with violet spots (from a shallow pit), sample No 2 - 400 m to NW from elevation point 179.4 - very hard kaolin (area 200 x 100 m), sample No 3 400 m to SW from the elevation point 179.4. The last sample is situated about 150 m to the N from the margin of the main deposit (Tavari). The aim of study of this sample is to trace the content of alunite, which was found to be present in substantial amount in an old IGME sample 60 m to the NE of sample No 3 (area of kaolinization 200 x 100 m).

2. Petri (Aspres Petres) 1.5 km to SE from Petra on Lesbos (Annex 4)

This deposit of white kaolin is situated to the NE from the deposit Skala Mesotopou just described, and belongs most probably - together with the deposit Argenos (see further) - to the same NE-SW trending hydrothermal zone. It is the only deposit on Lesbos that is worked (leaseholder E. Horafas), with yearly output 10 000 tons (capacity 40 000 t). Kaolin is used as aluminosilicate correction for production of white cement in a plant of AGET near Athens. The parent rock - rhyolite with occasional xenoliths of andesite up to 5 m in diameter - was hydrothermally kaolinized on area 200 x 60 m. Kaolin contains disordered to triclinic kaolinite, quartz, clay mineral with illite - montmorillonite mixed layered structure, and three minerals containing sulphur-alunite, jarosite and markasite which may cause troubles in the thermal technological process, if applied. Andesite inclusions in the rhyolite parent rock give rise to clay material rich in monmorillonite. Content of iron oxide is 0.28 - 0.73%.

Kaolin is very hard. Before shipment it must be crushed in a hammer crusher.

3. Argenos (Annex 4)

The parent rock of kaolin - andesite was kaolinized in a zone 600 m long and 100 m wide, probably before or contemporaneously with the effusion of younger dacites and rhyodacites. The deposit is a part of a hydrothermal zone trending NEN-SWS

with deposits described above, and itself has the same strike. Kaolin contains kaolinite, quartz, feldspar, alunite, montmorillonite (up to 15%), jarosite, I-M mixed layered clay mineral.

Exploration of this deposit, planned as long ago as in 1971, is being delayed because of the private ownership of the land.

4. Ralaki 8 km to SW of Adamas on the Milos island (property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. - Annex 3)

The kaolinization occurred along faults trending NW-SE. (In the eastern part of the island where the deposits of bentonite and perlite are situated the trend is SW-NE).

Eastern segment of the deposit with reserves 1.7 mil. tons has raw material with 0.4 - 0.6% Fe_2O_3 , 0.8% TiO_2 , 67% SiO_2 , 24% Al_2O_3 , and 3.5% SO_3 . It is utilized mostly for production of white cement, to a lesser extent in ceramics. The parent rock is rhyolite tuff and ignimbrite (age 480 000 years). Kaolinite is close to the triclinic type. This part of the deposit is nearly worked out.

The eastern segment of the deposit contains more quartz (and 15-20% of alunite only, 0.1% Fe_2O_3), which is reduced to 5% by crushing and sieving. This material is used as filler in paper and paints.

Raw kaolin from both segments of the deposit is used in production of white cement. For this purpose it is homogenized by heaping in alternating beds and then loading in trucks by a power shovel.

Illite is also found on the Milos Island, to the north of Ralaki (deposit Kumaria - Annex 3) which is owned by Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.

The material from a boring situated to the north of Ralaki in the western part of the island contains about 77% of SiO_2 , 13.60% of Al_2O_3 , 0.8-1% of Fe_2O_3 , 2.5-4% of alkalis and has L.O.I. value ranging 2.68-2.99%.

Testing specimens from illite were fired under 3 different temperatures with following results:

- 1000°C - pink after firing
- 1100°C - beige
- 1200°C - brightly grey

The parent rocks are andesite and dacite. The deposit is not yet utilized.

Illites are widely used in ceramics as a part of batch for certain structural products, because they contain their own flux (alkalies) and glass former. If the raw material is white and burns white (due to low content of iron), it can be used for production of white stoneware (floor tiles, pottery), which is not common, and if in agreement with transient fashion might be a financial success.

Conclusion: Kaolin - according to results of previous testing (3), the raw material may be up-graded by means of washing and magnetic separation. The product after beneficiation exhibits a favourable brightness in a green as well as fired form and is recommended for ceramic and paper industry applications. To prove this suitability, samples for semi-industrial tests were taken. Basic structure of the washing kaolin plant together with economy data for the capacity 85,000 tpa of washed kaolin is attached as Annex 7 and 8.

1.11 Quartz, silica

a) Vein quartz (ELVIOR property)

Stefania 8 km to the SE of Kilkis (Annex 1)

Quartz veins (thickness in meters) penetrating across the foliation of the crystalline schists are very pure. The thickest vein yields 10 000 t per year for exports to Scandinavia. Quartz is most probably suitable for production of quartz glass and metallic silicium. It is an exceptionally pure material.

Terpilos 10 km to the NE of Kilkis (Annex 1)

Quartz veins (thickness in meters) are inserted into the crystalline schists concordantly with their almost horizontal

foliation. The reserves are smaller than in Stefania, and the quality is lower. Quartz contains 3 g of gold per ton. Gold is not utilized.

b) Silica (Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. property).

The locality is situated near Kastriani in the western part of Milos island (Annex 3).

This fine-grained material is composed of α -quartz. (In depth cristoballite is present). It is very similar to tripoli. Tripoli has the grain-size between 1 and 10 μm and SiO_2 content up to 98-99%. It was originally used for water filters, now it is used as abrasive, buffing or polishing material (99.5% of the particles should be less than 10 μm), inert mineral filler (extender and filler in paint, plastics, rubber and epoxy sealants for electrical applications), and recently also as organically surface treated silica used as both thermoplastic and thermosetting resins for molded engineering plastics, casting compounds, adhesives and coatings, as fillers and carriers in insecticides a. o.

2. Producers of up-graded non-metallic raw materials

2.1 Mevior S.A.

MEVIOR S.A. company located in Assiros about 20 km to the north of Salonica (Annex 1) is processing pegmatites and quartz from near deposits producing quartz and feldspar. The raw materials processed have following applications (6): quartz - occurring in vertical veins of 4-6 m width and 150 m average length, min. 99.5% SiO_2 , max. 0.05% Fe_2O_3 , max. 0.04% Al_2O_3 , max. 0.01% CaO , feldspar -sodium type occurring in pegmatite veins of 15-17 thickness and 11 km length.

The technology consists of two following processes of which the first one is common for feldspar and quartz. This outdoor stage comprises wet classification and crushing (jaw crusher, cone crusher). In the second (indoor) phase the crushed material

dried in a rotary drier, then submitted for twofold dry magnetic separation with screening and grinding (ball mill). The final stage is screening and subsequent air classification resulting in the product of the grain size less than 0.075 mm possibility of sinking down to 0.030 mm.

Alpine crushing and classification system and Rapid magnetic separators operating at 1.8 T are utilized.

The capacity of the plant is 4 tons of fine fraction per hour (about 20 000 tpa) and about 3 tons of the crushed material (about 15 000 tpa). The milled product is sold in bags, the crushed one is produced in bulk.

Conclusion: The quartz and feldspar is sold mostly for ceramics, the minus 100 microns fraction of feldspar removed by screening may be used in the manufacture of floor tiles. Other materials like pumice may be grinded in the plant. MEVIOR S.A. processing plant is operating safely. Although having no detailed specifications of products they seem to meet requirements of exploiting industries.

2.2 Porcel

Porcel company is processing feldspars, quartz, dolomite, limestone and mica. The plant is situated near Tholos, about 5 km from Paranestio site (to the north-west of Xanthi), very close to deposits of potassium feldspar (Annex 1)

The quality of products has been proved by pilot-plant tests carried out abroad by suppliers of machinery. The plant has been put into operation just during UNIDO experts' visit of pegmatite localities in June, 1987.

Potassium feldspar (from veins and lenses) as well as sodium feldspar from eastern Greece which will be supplied later are the basic raw materials being up-graded. The raw material is very pure and rich, content of K_2O reaching up to 14.5%, that of Fe_2O_3 being in range 0.12 - 0.14% and the free quartz amounts up to 8%.

Quarrying of pegmatites involves about 50% of the product and 50% of overburden. The industrial reserves proved are reaching up to 1 million tons of exploitable material. Fe_2O_3 is present in rock cracks, never in the silicate lattice. Its content is going down with higher depth of occurrence.

Following economic data were obtained (6):

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| total investment costs | Drachmae | 860, 000, 000 |
| of which: | | |
| equipment costs | " | 630, 000, 000 |
| employees | 80 | |
| capacity planned | 120, 000 tpa | feldspars |
| marketing policy | to supply domestic market | and mainly exporting |
| | | (West Germany, France) |

Conclusion: The processing plant is going to produce, inter alia, eight grades of feldspar as well as quartz (see Table IX). The products will be supplied for ceramic and glass industries, as fillers and extenders etc.

2.3 Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.

This company belongs to the most important producers of raw and processed industrial minerals in Greece. Its scope of activity involves extraction and up-grading of bentonite, perlite, kaolin and baryte. The processing plant for bentonites and perlite was erected in Voudia Bay on the Milos island where these materials are also quarried. Plant specifications:

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Total investment costs | 42, 000, 000 | Drachmae |
| Output: Bentonite | 300, 000 | tpa |
| Perlite | 200, 000 | tpa |
| Baryte | 10, 000 | tpa |
| Kaolin | 30, 000 | tpa |

Table IX. Chemical analyses of non-metallic products from the new PORCEL processing plant

| up-graded product | grade | SiO ₂ | Al ₂ O ₃ | CaO | MgO | Fe ₂ O ₃ | K ₂ O | Na ₂ O | L.O.I. | |
|-------------------|-------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| feldspar | 450 | 64.70 | 18.70 | 0.35 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 12.80 | 2.50 | 0.8 | |
| feldspar | 482 | 66.17 | 18.10 | 0.50 | 0.04 | 0.11 | 11.85 | 2.60 | 0.53 | |
| feldspar | 670 | 69.00 | 17.10 | 0.45 | 0.02 | 0.15 | 10.70 | 2.75 | 0.30 | |
| feldspar | 982 | 68.06 | 17.20 | 0.63 | 0.06 | 0.19 | 9.50 | 3.30 | 1.1 | |
| feldspar | 1010 | 69.00 | 16.80 | 0.67 | 0.09 | 0.22 | 7.80 | 5.25 | 0.30 | |
| feldspar | 1023 | 68.20 | 18.30 | 1.65 | 0.22 | 0.08 | 2.60 | 8.05 | 0.90 | |
| feldspar | 1150 | 66.10 | 19.80 | 2.70 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 1.05 | 9.40 | 0.80 | |
| feldspar | 1200 | 65.90 | 20.64 | 1.95 | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.25 | 10.20 | 0.75 | |
| quartz | 1340 | 99.55 | 0.18 | - | - | 0.02 | - | - | 0.06 | |
| dolomite | 1410 | - | - | 30.90 | 21.60 | 0.12 | - | - | 46.62 | |
| muscovite | 1500 | 47.85 | 32.40 | 0.093 | 0.31 | 0.99 | 11.14 | 2.19 | 4.75 | |
| limestone powder | 1550 | CaCO ₃ min. 99 | SiO ₂ - | Al ₂ O ₃ - | MgO 0.32 | Fe ₂ O ₃ - | MnO ₂ - | SO ₄ ²⁻ - | PO ₄ ³⁻ - | L.O.I. 43.28 |

Source: PORCEL's information booklet

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Bentonite processing

The raw material extracted contains about 28-30% wt. of moisture and is transported from 10 open-pit mines to the plant. Firstly, bentonite is crushed and then activated by soda which is imported in bulk from Italy being crushed in hammer mills. In the activation process, fraction ranging 0.1-0.6 mm is utilized. This technology of natrification is fully automatized and screen controlled. The amount of soda added takes 5-6% according to laboratory results and specifications. Open-air drying of natrified form follows the beneficiation process resulting in product of about 14-15% of moisture. This product is ready for bulk vessel expedition for which there are excellent conditions in Voudia Bay. Some amount of activated bentonite is dried in fluidizers, dried and screened to the final grain size (-100 mesh).

Perlite processing

Raw perlite of two qualities is up-graded in three following stages: primary crushing station, secondary crushing station and then it is dried and screened.

Primary crushing station operating in 1 shift, 7 days/week with capacity of 150 t/hour is equipped with jaw crusher crushing the perlite rocks into lumps of 15-17 cm diameter. The pre-crushed material is stock-piled in 125-t silos.

Secondary crushing station with continuous operation is processing the pre-crushed material (96% of less than 16 cm) into fraction less than 3 mm (90% from total). This achieved in hammer mill for bigger lumps and two roller mills.

Drying station with capacity of about 5-7 t/hour is using fluidizers applied with heavy oil. The dried product is multiple-screened on horizontal and vertical screens producing perlite of following grain sizes:

> 2.5 mm
2.5 - 0.6 mm
0.6 - 0.3 mm
0.3 - 0.15 mm
0.15 - 0.075 mm

Fractions finer than 0.075 mm are classified in cyclone for coarser and finer ones the latter being filtered. Through all processing technology, dedusting is paid attention. Dust is sucked-off in exposed processes and separated into bag filters.

Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. posses a well-equipped plant laboratory for all the necessary determination of chemical, physical and technological properties of bentonite and perlite.

Perlite expansion is performed in Athens in the PERLOMIN division of Silver and Baryte. Perlite is expanded for domestic use producing about 50,000 cu.m. per annum of expanded material. This is sold for building and agricultural use whilst material which has been crushed, expanded and milled is supplied for filtering and cryogenic applications. Typical chemical analysis of expanded perlite is given in Table X:

Table X Chemical analysis of expanded perlite PERLOMIN
(Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.)

| Component | % wt. |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| SiO ₂ | 76.10 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 13.78 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.13 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 1.25 |
| CaO | 1.20 |
| MgO | 0.56 |
| Na ₂ O | 3.76 |
| K ₂ O | 3.12 |
| CO ₂ | 0.00 |
| S | 0.018 |
| I.O.I. (1000°C) | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 99.918 |

3. Tests of sampled raw materials

3.1 List of samples

a) Point samples for orientation tests (aiming at possible further orientation of geological survey)

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| 1. Kaoline, Skala Messotopou Spiglia (256) white colour | 1 kg |
| 2. Kaoline, Skala Messotopou Spiglia (256) violet colour | 1 kg |
| 3. Kaolin, Skala Messotopou (41 100) | 1 kg |
| 4. Kaolin, Skala Messotopou (41 065) | 1 kg |
| 5. Zeolite, Metaxades, fine-grained | 7 kg |
| 6. Zeolite, Metaxades, middle-grained | 9 kg |
| 7. Zeolite Metaxades, coarse-grained | 12 kg |
| 8. Metaarkose Analipsi 1 | 2.50 kg |
| 9. Metaarkose Analipsi 2 | 2.50 kg |
| 10. Metaarkose Analipsi 3 | 2.50 kg |
| 11. Metaarkose Analipsi 4 | 2.50 kg |
| 12. Metaarkose Analipsi 5 | 2.50 kg |
| 13. Zeolite Ferres | 2 kg |
| 14. White material Skoutaros - light | 0.50 kg |
| 15. White material Skoutaros - dark | 0.50 kg |
| 16. Kaolin Petra | 0.50 kg |
| 17. Illite, Milos - Kumaria | 5 kg |
| 18. Bentonite Milos - Angeria | 0.50 kg |
| 19. Bentonite Milos - Migikolo | 0.50 kg |
| 20. Bentonite Milos - Komia | 0.50 kg |
| TOTAL | <hr/> about 55 kg |

b) Large-scale samples for model tests of up-grading and applicability of raw materials

| | |
|--|--------------|
| 1. Kaolin, Skala Messotoupou Tavari, a | 20 kg |
| 2. Kaolin, Skala Messotoupou Tavari, b | 20 kg |
| 3. Kaolin, Skala Messotoupou Tavari, c | 20 kg |
| 4. Kaolin, Skala Messotoupou Tavari, d | 20 kg |
| 5. Kaolin, Skala Messotoupou Tavari, e | 20 kg |
| 6. Feldspar, Kato Potamia, KP 1 | 20 kg |
| 7. Feldspar, Kato Potamia, KP 2 | 20 kg |
| 8. Feldspar, Kato Potamia, KP 3 | 20 kg |
| 9. Feldspar, Kato Potamia, KP 4 | 20 kg |
| 10. Feldspar, Kato Potamia, KP 5 | 20 kg |
| 11. Sand Haniotis - arkose 1 | 15 kg |
| 12. Sand Haniotis - arkose 2 | 15 kg |
| 13. Sand Haniotis - arkose 3 | 15 kg |
| 14. Sand Haniotis - arkose 4 | 15 kg |
| 15. Sand Krios - 1 | 15 kg |
| 16. Sand Dikea - 1 | 15 kg |
| TOTAL | about 290 kg |

3.2 Proposal on laboratory and semi-industrial tests

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Mineral processing of Industrial Minerals

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1. Background Information

During the field activities in the period May-July, 1987 in the framework of the UNIDO Project No DP/GRE/86/008, our experts in co-operation with technicians of IGME, Athens visited selected non-metallic minerals localities in different regions of Greece.

Point sampling of selected non-metallics occurrence has been executed in order to evaluate basically their quality focussing the attention to a precise geological prospection. In the localities where reserves had been before partially searched by geological prospection, large-scale sampling was carried out to recognize their up-grading ability as well as industrial applicability of refined products.

2. List of Samples.

Point Sampling:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Lesvos Isle - Petra-petriton kaolin | 1 sample |
| - Skoutaros kaolin | 2 samples |
| - Skala Messotopos kaolin | 4 samples |
| Milos Isle - Kumaria illite | 1 sample |
| - Angeria bentonite | 1 sample |
| - Migikolo bentonite | 1 sample |
| - Komia bentonite | 1 sample |
| Macedonia Region - Analipsi quartzite | 5 samples |
| Thrace Region - Krios sand | 1 sample |
| - Dikea sand | 1 sample |
| - Ferres zeolite | 1 sample |
| - Metaxades zeolite | 3 samples |
| TOTAL | 22 samples |

Large-scale sampling:

| | |
|---|------------|
| Lesvos Isle - Skala Messotopos, Tavari kaolin | 5 samples |
| Macedonia Region - Kato Potamia feldspar | 5 samples |
| Halkidiki Region - arkose sand Haniotis | 4 samples |
| TOTAL | 14 samples |

Total mass of samples

410 kg

3. Testing Methods

Sample testing is to be carried out in two phases:

Phase I. - will be oriented to obtain basic data suitable to evaluate quickly eventual applicability of respective non-metallic raw materials

- chemical compositions of point and large-scale samples
- mineralogical composition of point and large-scale samples
- testing of bentonites for wastewater treatment

Phase II. - will be oriented to verify the effectivity of up-grading methods and to evaluate the properties of up-graded products

Skala Messotopos, Tavari kaolin

cca 100 kg

- homogenization of the sample
- crushing
- washing, sieving
- classifying on hydro-cyclones dia 50 mm
- magnetic separation
- dewatering
- drying
- grinding
- properties evaluation of the products in the range of over 63 μ m, 20 - 63 μ m and below 20 μ m according to the significance of their application in the ceramic or paper industry

Kato Potamia feldspar

cca 100 kg

- homogenization of the sample
- crushing of the sample under 1 mm
- classifying to fractions over 0.6 mm, 0.6-0.1 mm and under 0.1 mm

- possibility of up-grading the fraction 0.1-0.6 mm by flotation and magnetic separation
- properties evaluation of classified and up-graded products according to their significance of application in the ceramic and glass industries

Haniotis arkose sand

cca 100 kg

- homogenization of the sample
- crushing of the sample under 1 mm
- classifying to fractions under 0.6 mm, 0.6-0.1 mm and under 0.1 mm
- possibility of up-grading the fraction 0.1-0,6 mm by flotation and magnetic separation
- properties evaluation of classified and up-graded products according to the significance of their application in the ceramic and glass industries

4. Evaluation of Tests and Recommendation

Evaluation of the point samples will be focussed to the decision of taking up geological prospection and to appreciation of industrial applicability of the respective non-metallic raw materials.

As regards large-scale samples technology of their industrial up-grading and the evaluation of up-graded products for their further industrial application will be proposed.

5. Reports

The report on the test results will be elaborated in English and presented to UNIDO, Vienna in 10 copies.

6. Price Estimates

It is supposed that the price of works executed in the framework of this Project will not exceed 20,600 US \$.

Pilsen, August 4, 1987

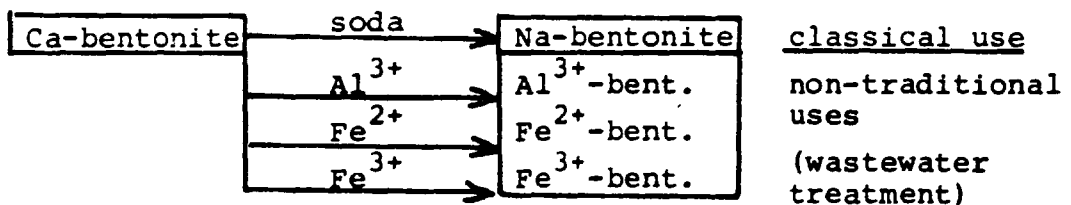
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4. Non-traditional applications of bentonite, perlite, zeolite

a) Bentonite

Although bentonites of the highest quality are abundant on the Milos Island (montmorillonite content more than 95%), some deposits contain raw material of lower quality. It is just the case of Komia locality (property of Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co.) where bentonite with α -quartz, cristoballite and alunite containing about 60-65% of montmorillonite occurs. The mineralogical composition prevents it from foundry uses.

This type of bentonite is suitable for special activations, other than the well-known natrification by soda. These new processes involve mechanical-chemical treatment with inorganic soluble salts of aluminium and iron resulting in new grades of modified bentonites suitable for treatment of wastewaters, above all (9-13) :



1) Technology of activation

All processes suitable for alkaline activation, such as dry process, paste process and slurry process, are applicable for this type of activation with other ions. The slurry process is more suitable than in case of alkaline activation, because water suspensions of bentonites in non-alkaline cycles are not so thixotropic and geleous and it is possible to prepare these suspensions with good rheological properties containing about 300 grams of bentonite in one litre.

The direct activation is quite cheap and simple process but on the other hand, its product is always an equilibrium mixture of different ionic forms of montmorillonite, activating salts and by-products of activation. The position of equilibrium

depends on concentration of activating ion, type of anion, pH value and, if bentonite is in water suspension, also on concentration of suspension. If these conditions are changed during the application of bentonite, also equilibrium position is deviated and bentonite can change its properties. This phenomenon is advantageously utilized in the case of waste water treatment with specially activated bentonites.

The quantity of applied activating salt varies in dependence on ion-exchange capacity of bentonite and required degree of activation, usually it is from 0.2 to 0.6 mols of activating ion per one kilogramme of bentonite.

2) Application

Before the application proper, bentonite should be dispersed in water amounting about 200 g/l. The slurry can be transported by slurry pumps into the treating process. For blunging bentonite, propeller stirrers are commonly used. Polluted water is treated with modified bentonite with possible pH adjustment and organic flocculant adding either in batch or continuous arrangement. The Scheme of the continuous process is given in Annex 9.

3) Suitability of the method

The process of purification is based on following properties:

- high value of the specific surface area
- ion-exchange capacity
- flocculation activity
- role of "weighting medium" in sedimentation processes (bulk density about $2,200 \text{ kg}^{-3}$).

Specially modified bentonites are utilized as a combined sorption-deemulgation chemicals for purification of following types of wastewaters:

- water polluted with oily substances (dissolved and/or emulsified)
- water polluted with dispersions of organic polymers (adhesives, dyes, paints etc. based e. g. on polyacrylates)

- wastewaters from food industry (slaughterhouse, dairy)
- washing wastewaters from cattle breeding
- other types of polluted waters being characterized by emulsified or finely dispersed insoluble matter.

4) Testing of bentonites for treating wastewaters

Orientation tests of applicability of modified bentonites for these purposes may be performed very quickly with basic laboratory equipment (Annex 10) Carrying out the experiments, following is to be monitored:

a) data on raw wastewater

(pH, total solids, insoluble substances, chemical oxygen demand - COD or biological oxygen demand - BOD₅, content of non-polar substances if present).

b) optimalization of bentonite doses with respect to flocks formation, degree of clarification, sludge volume, temperature influence etc.

c) determination of sedimentation rates

d) analysis of water after treatment (parameters ad a).

5) Efficiency of the process - given in Tables XII and XIII.

6) Sludge treatment

Activated bentonite may be successfully used in sludge treatment resulting in its better dewatering and reducing of organic polyelectrolytes demand. Aluminium-modified or otherwise up-graded bentonite is suitable for these purposes (9).

In Europe, West Germany in particular, there is also interest in using up-graded bentonite as an additional aid to sewage sludge treatment to reduce the heavy metal content. This is important in cases where the treated sludge is disposed on farm land (14).

Table XII Supposed doses of Al³⁺ - bentonite for different types of wastewaters

| No. | Type of wastewater | Dose of bentonite (kg/m ³) | Dose of flocculant (g/m ³) | Neutralization |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. | Low oily pollution | 1 - 3 | 1 - 3 | Lime after bentonite dosing up to pH 5-8 |
| 2. | heavy oily polluted | 5 - 10 | 0 - 5 | usually not necessary or ad 1) |
| 3. | dispersions of organic polymers | 7 - 25 | 0 | not necessary |
| 4. | cattle breeding washing waters | 5 - 10 | 0 | usually not necessary or ad 1) |
| 5. | food industry wastewaters | 3 - 10 | usually not necessary | H ₂ SO ₄ or lime |

Table XIII Orientation results achieved by application of Al³⁺ - bentonite on different wastewaters

| Type of wastewater | Parameter | wastewater | | Efficiency (%) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| | | in (mg/l) | out (mg/l) | |
| Heavy oily pollution | oily substances (hydrocarbons) | 50-500 | <5 | 99 |
| low oily pollution | - " - | 5-50 | <0.2 | >98 |
| dispersions of organic polymers | COD | up 50 000 | <1 000 | >95 |
| food industry | COD | up 15 000 | <2 000 | >60 |
| cattle breeding | COD | up 20 000 | <3 000 | >80 |

7) Agricultural uses

Bentonite from Komia deposit containing about 60-65% of montmorillonite will be also suitable for agricultural purposes either in animal breeding or for soil reclamation. For the former use the raw calcium form of bentonite is applicable having ammonia ion-exchange capacity of 12-15 mg NH_4^+ / 1 kg of dry matter. Only drying and milling is supposed as processing for this purpose. Soil reclamation demands calcium bentonite in as-mined state, only crushed and submitted for weathering (for disintegration of lumps spontaneously). The optimal dose to be applied into sandy soil amount 20 tonnes per ha with about 7 years of the service life.

b) Perlite

As stated in Chapter 1.9 in detail, Greece is producing and exporting a high-quality perlite for different applications including also those in horticulture where perlite light-weight and sterile nature after processing is advantageous to in terms of handling and freedom from plant disease. The low density of the individual particles imports excellent insulation properties to the soil/peat growing medium and therefore protects the plants from excessive temperature variations.

Silver and Baryte Ores Mining Co. in its PERLOMIN branch performs an extensive research on horticultural applications of perlite (and bentonite) with very good results.

c) Zeolite

Greek zeolites, namely of Metaxades deposit should be extensively tested concerning their mineralogical and chemical properties mainly with respect to their sorption capacity, ion-exchange properties and active mineral content (clinoptilolite or mordenite). Following application spheres will be of the greatest interest:

- environmental protection (wastewater treatment, effluent clean-up)
- agricultural uses
- catalysis

1) Environmental protection

This sphere comprises both gas pollutant removal (SO_2 from stack gases, CO_2 from sour natural gas) and effluent treatment (removal of NH_3 and heavy metals from wastewaters). For this use, crushed and carefully screened zeolites (utilizable fraction - 20 + 30 mesh) of clinoptiolite type are of use. The laboratory testing of zeolites thus should comprise:

- specific surface area determination
- absorption-desorption behaviour for gases under consideration, e. g. SO_2 , NO_x , CO_2 , NH_3 (isotherms)
- sorption-desorption of heavy metals and ammonia from contaminated waters

2) Agricultural uses

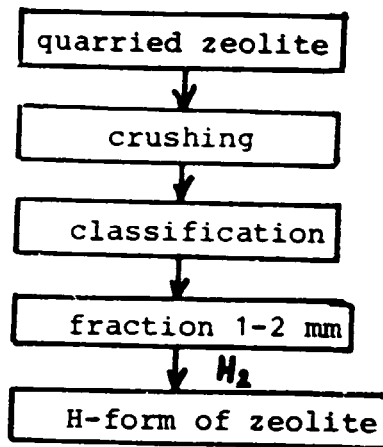
This area utilizes zeolite as a soil conditioner (similarly to perlite) and fertilizer. Zeolites perform well as soil aerators and neutralize acidic soils. Further, they control the release of ammonium, nitrogen and potassium from fertilizers.

The zeolite may be applied in either the "as mined" condition followed by addition of fertilizer or the zeolite can be pre-charged or exchanged with the nutrient ions (NH_4^+ , K^+) and then added to the soil. Low quality zeolite with admixed clays) are applicable. The doses of zeolite which must be applied varies according to the type and origin of the soil and should be proved experimentally.

3) Catalysis

It was proved that zeolites with 65-70% of clinoptiolite and mordenite content are suitable for catalysis application. Moreover, presence of iron oxide, quartz and other amorphous admixtures has no significant disadvantage for the process but has to be proved experimentally for each case in detail.

The processing usually involves following steps:



5. Economic assessment of products

a) kaolin, feldspar, quartz

From the statistical data, which have been obtained at IGME Department of Technical and Feasibility Studies, about annual production, export and import of non-metallic raw materials, there is evident long-termed tradition of kaolin processing. The industrial processing of quartz is evidenced since year 1978 and of feldspar since year 1979 (7).

In amount the kaolin annual production fluctuates (Annex11,12) between 40 to 80 kt, and during period of 1981 to 1985 years there is registered continual increase of production up to 90 kt.

The increase of quartz annual production is evidenced since year 1982 and of feldspar since year 1985 (Annexes 13-16).

Kaolin and quartz are also exported and it is possible to suppose also export of feldspar from the production of MEVIOR S.A. and PORCEL firms. The exported products, quartz since year 1978 and kaolin long-termally, are characterized by price only. The qualitative parameters of products as well as some information about customers have not been obtained. Only from the price relation between exported and imported commodities it is possible to get some idea about a quality. The price of exported kaolin is in a relation

with imported products and since year 1981 it has following effective increase:

price in DR/t

| year | export | import | |
|------------------|--------|------------|----------------|
| | | raw kaolin | treated kaolin |
| 1979 | 2 177 | 2 483 | 6 936 |
| 1980 | 2 914 | 3 417 | 6 290 |
| 1981 | 5 635 | | |
| 1982 | 6 098 | | |
| 1983 | 7 171 | | |
| 1984 | 9 840 | | |
| 1985 | 12 138 | | |
| 1 US \$ = 133 DR | | raw kaolin | treated kaolin |

The quartz production shows an increase of the price too, but the value of imported commodity is higher (Annexes 11,13,15). The data about feldspar export are not released and so to compare the values of export and import is impossible.

The information about the import of a relative wide assortment of non-metallics are accessible for the period of 1979 - 1980 only, and so the real view about the individual sorts consumption is not obtained, it means the sum of domestic production and import of period 1981 - 1986 years.

From the following sorts of non-metallics, only kaolin shows higher consumption than domestic production at Greece is, and therefore it has to be covered by import.

The quality, it means the trade marks of foreign producers, nor the area of their utilization (paper, ceramic, rubber and other industries) are not accessible. Therefore the question where to orientate the research and production will be dependant on the quality of the non-metallic industrial reserves - in the first step of the kaolin.

The Greek production of kaolin covers approximately 30% of total consumption (Annex 10) and approximately 60-100 kt of kaolin product should be annually imported.

b) Bentonite

Greece is the second greatest producer of bentonite in the world where the total production has been estimated to range between 6-7,000 000 tpa (Table XIV). Concerning the world export data on bentonite, Greece is placed on the same level (Annex 17).

Table XIV World most important producers of bentonite (tonnes)

| Country | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| U. S. A. | 3,399,716 | 4,054,446 | 4,012,772 | 3,797,295 |
| Greece | 441,252 | 385,067 | 478,335 | 509,095 |
| Japan | 400,000 ^e | 400,000 ^e | 400,000 ^e | 400,000 ^e |
| Italy | 292,428 | 224,208 | 282,446 | 322,888 |
| Bulgaria | 274,700 | 179,700 | 205,700 ^e | na |
| India | 150,568 | 153,026 | 146,922 | 158,675 |
| Yugoslavia | 116,000 | 154,000 | na | na |
| Brazil | 108,395 | 167,614 | 212,503 | 247,954 |

e - estimated, na - not available

Source: Industrial Minerals, October 1982, p. 23

The annual exports costs of Greek bentonites are well-documented according to produced grade (Annex 18). Without any other economic comments it is evident that Greece can sufficiently supply both domestic and foreign markets.

The proposed specially-modified bentonites by aluminium ore iron salts which can be utilized as effective agents for wastewater treatment are supposed to hold the world price level for civil engineering grades up to \$ 70/t. For iron-modified bentonites the price will be even lower due to the abundance

of FeSO_4 (activating agent).

Evaluating production costs of this bentonite grade they should not exceed those for natrification by soda being lower for iron than aluminium treatment.

c) Zeolite

World sales of natural zeolites demonstrate the substantial growth in the market of this unique raw material (15):

| <u>year</u> | <u>quantity</u> (tons) |
|-------------|------------------------|
| 1965 | 12,000 |
| 1970 | 80,000 |
| 1975 | 180,000 |
| 1979 | 280,000 |

The sophisticated utilization of natural zeolites is growing rapidly, mainly in wastewater treatment systems and gas adsorption. The prices of natural zeolites are differing according to grade:

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| powder, medium grade | - about 40 £/tonne |
| powder, high grade | - about 55 £/tonne |
| granule, pellet | - about 100 £/tonne |
| paper filling grade | - about 65 £/tonne |

(Data from 1980; Japanese products ex-mill).

For purposes of wastewater treatment applications, it is to be noted that costs of regenerating the ammonium-exchanged zeolite account for about 50-60% of the total operating costs.

IV. FINAL NOTE

The presented report shows high interest of Greek Authorities in the continuous development of non-metallic raw materials in the country. Greece has an outstanding raw material base for promoting different industrial sectors. Some of non-metallics exhibit the first-grade quality, big geological reserves and thus contribute significantly to the world's mineral market. In the near future, also new applications of bentonites and zeolites should not be omitted. Results of laboratory and model tests which will be performed on sampled material will guide both geological and technological research staff in the further effort to utilize non-metallics sophisticatedly. Institute of Geological and Mineral Exploration (IGME) is achieving splendid results within its activity with a favourable outlook for future years.

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Localities of non-metallic raw materials occurrence - Macedonia

1. Tholos - Porcel Co.
2. Assiros - Meviar S.A.
3. Argiroupoli - Kato Potamia Feldspar
4. Kolhiko - Metaarkose
5. Simandra - Red Clay
6. Dragudelli - Sithonia Granite
7. Paranestio - Feldspar
8. Haniotis - Kassandra Sand
9. Kilkis, Terpilos - Quartz



Annex 2

Localities of non-metallic raw material occurrence - Thrace

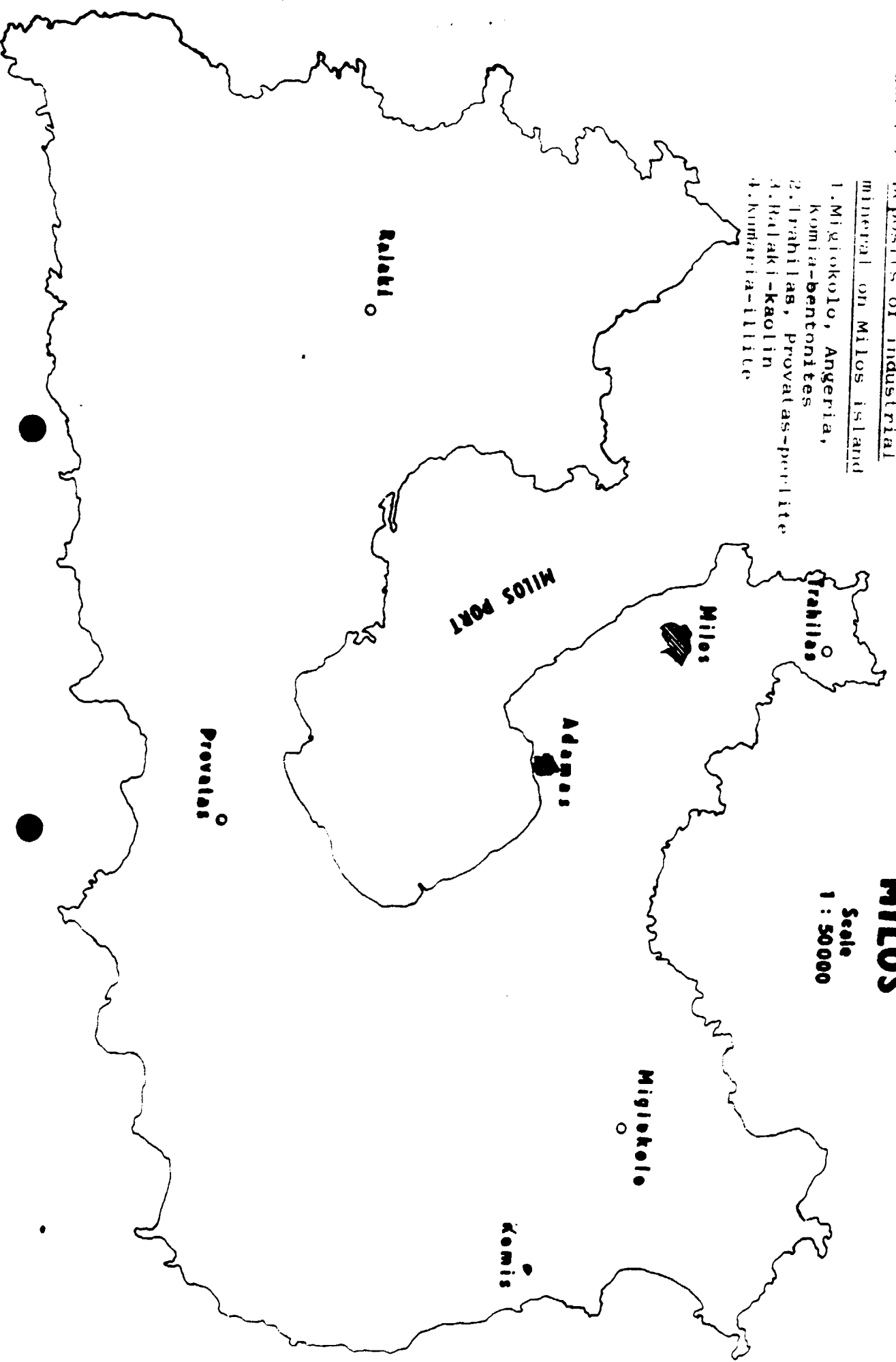
1. Dikea - Spileo - Sands
2. Feres - Zeolites
3. Sapes - Mesti, Clays
4. Korimvos - Feldspars
5. Satres - Arkose
6. Metaxades - Zeolites



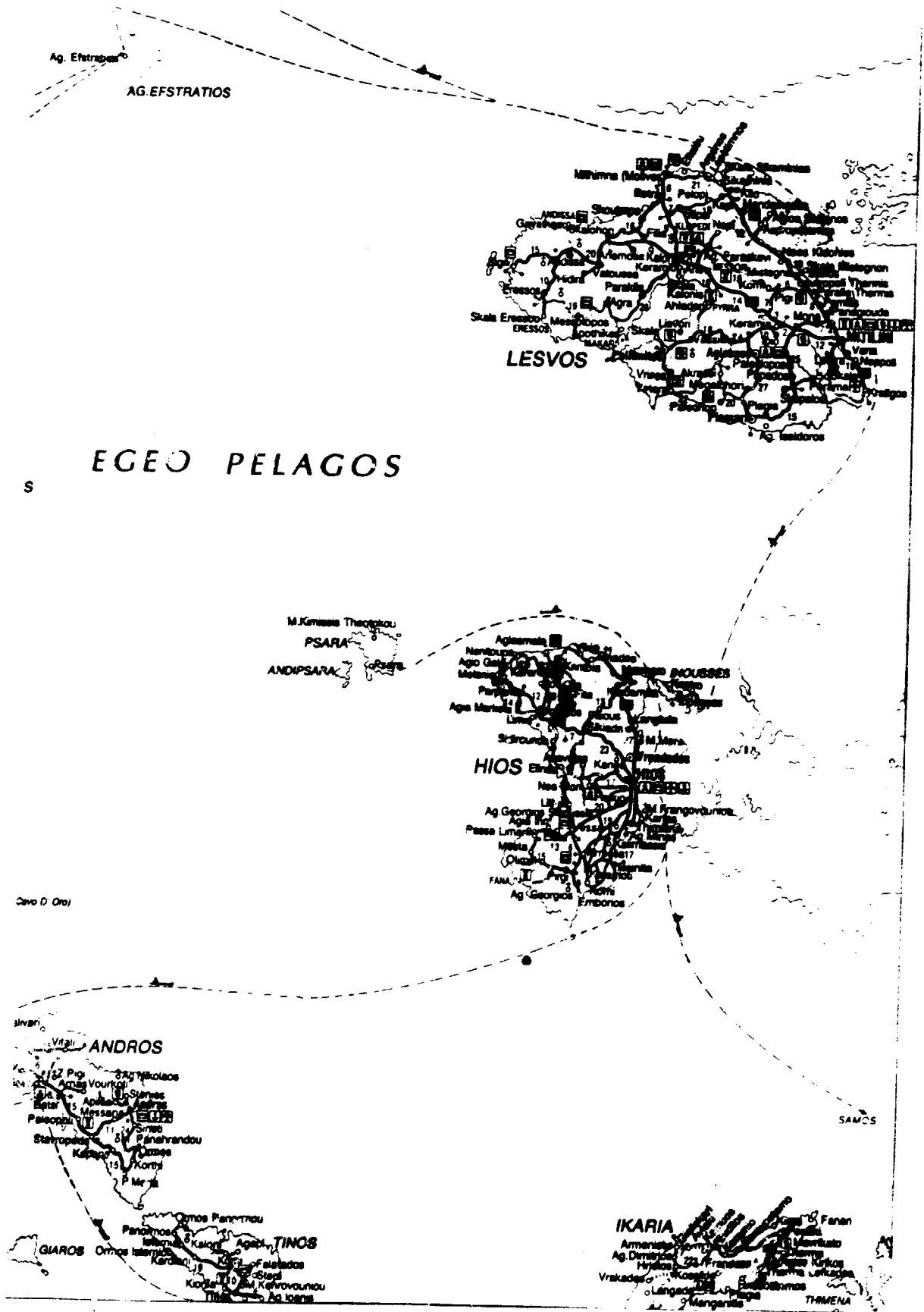
Annex 3 Deposits of industrial

mineral on Milos island

1. Migiokolo, Angeria, komia-bentonites
2. Trahilas, Provalas-perlite
3. Kalaki-Kaolin
4. Kumeria-illite

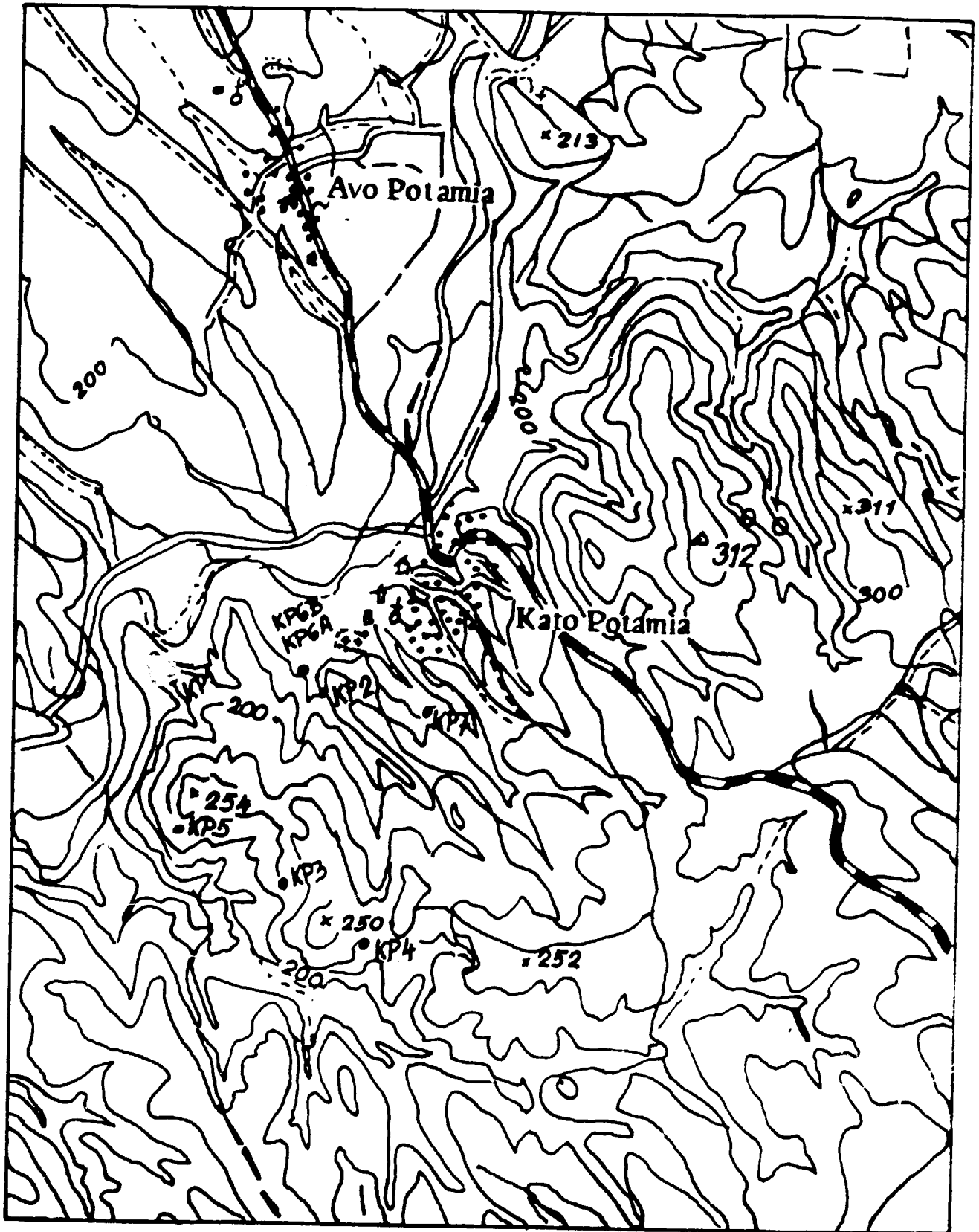


Annex 4 Kaolin deposits on Lesvos island



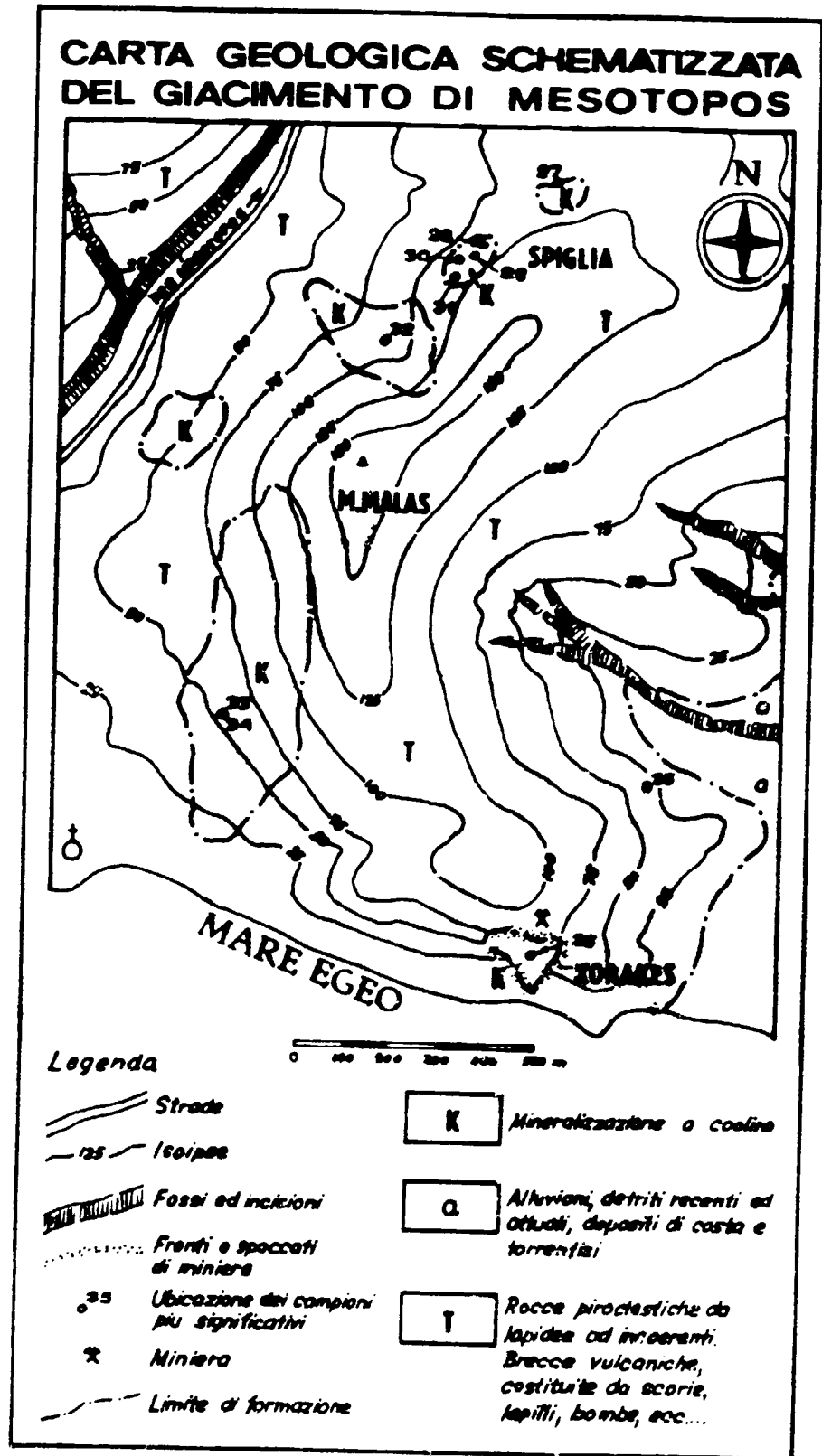
The situation of feldspar occurrence at Kato Potamia area

The locality of samples KP 1 - KP 7

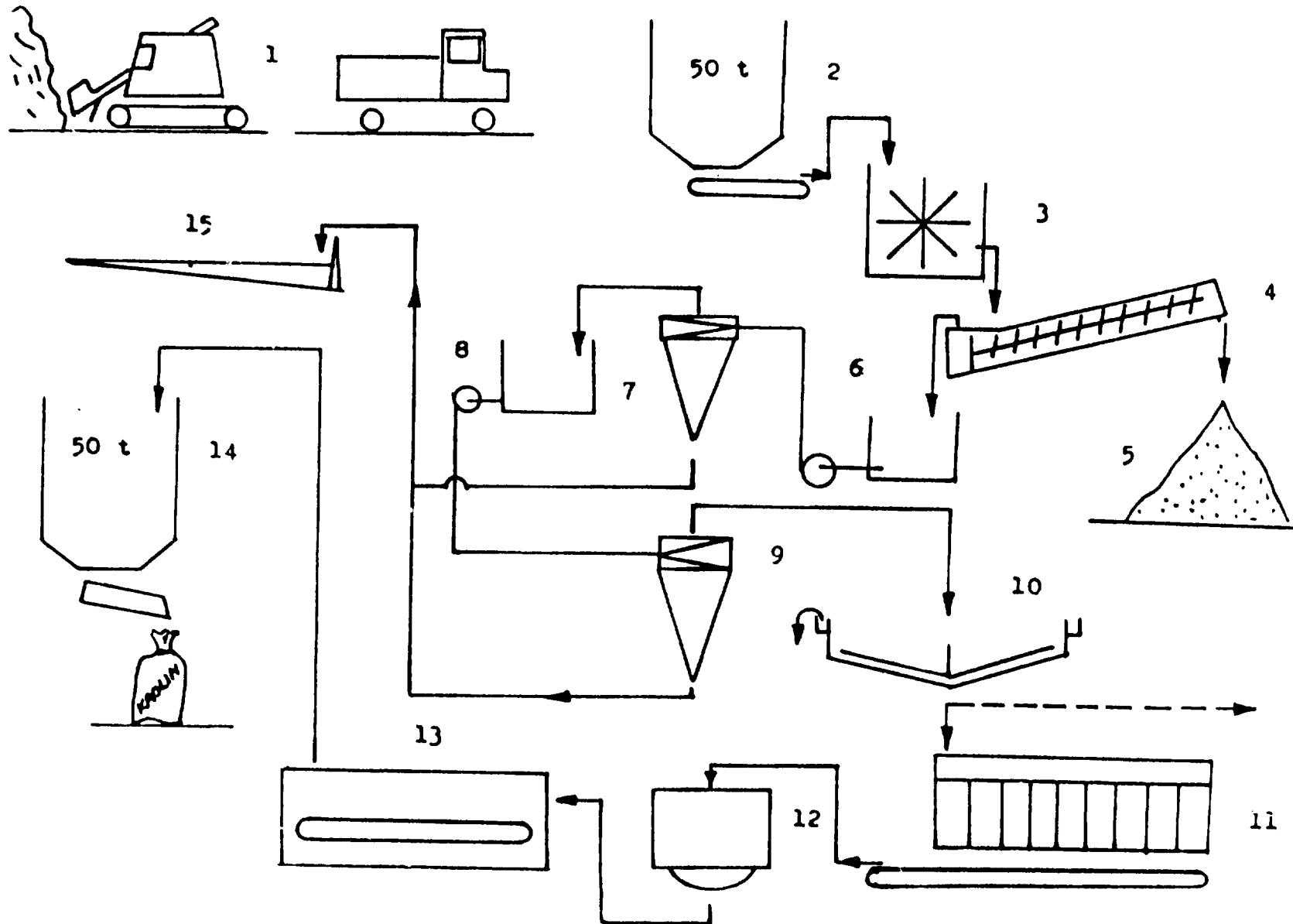


The outcrops of kaolin at Skala Messotopou

1. sampled area for semi-industrial test



Annex 7a Technological scheme of Wet Dressing of Kaoline



Annex 7b Wet dressing of kaoline - description of equipments

1. Mining and transport of raw kaolin
2. The bin with belt feeder type PSS 600, 1.5 kW
3. The knife blunger Excelsior type
4. Spiral classifier
5. Pile of sand fraction
6. Pumping tank, pump MAPE 100
7. Hydrocyclone, 250 Ø mm
8. Pumping tank, pump MAPE 50
9. Battery of hydrocyclone 50 Ø mm
10. Thickener, type DOOR or PASSAVANT
11. Filter press, type LFA 1250
12. Noodle machine
13. The belt drier
14. Bin of kaolin product with sacking machine
15. The sludge bed

Annex 8. Kaolin washing plant - technoeconomic data

Capacity of the plant 85 000 t/year

- 1) The guaranteed plant capacities when using 250 days per year will make an average daily production, resp. capacities of the plant:

85 000 t/year : 250 days - 340 t/day
resp.

340 t/day : 24 h/day = 14.2 t/h

Recovery of raw run-of-mine ore is 25%

- 2) Working capacity of the plant is:

250 days per year

3 shifts daily

8 hours per shift

- 3) Grain size distribution of raw kaolin (5)

| Fraction in μm | Share in wt. % |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| above 63 | 66.2 building sand |
| 20 - 63 | 9.0 semi product |
| below 20 | 24.8 washed kaolin |

- 4) For ten years of production the industrial reserves recovered by geological survey have to be approximately 3.4 mil. tons of raw kaolin. In case of lower reserves, a lower plant capacity should be taken into account.

- 5) 3 400 000 tons of raw kaolin in industrial reserves per 10 years

340 000 tons of raw kaolin for annual mining

85 000 tons of washed kaolin yield per year it means
25% of raw kaolin

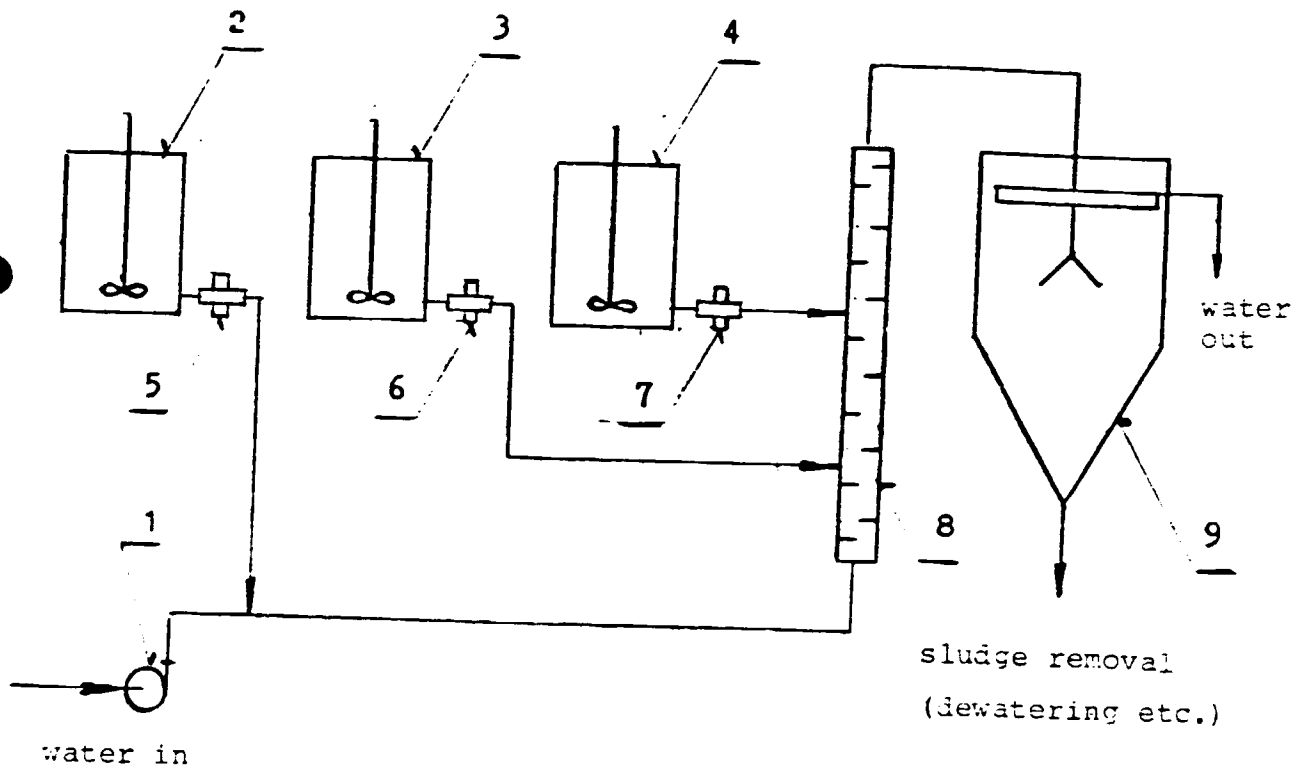
- 6) The quality of the product (washed kaolin) will be approximately:

| | content (wt. %) | | | brightness | abrasivity |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|--|------------|------------|
| | Fe_2O_3 | TiO_2 | $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 + \text{TiO}_2$ | in % | in mg |
| washed kaolin | 1.35 | 0.57 | 1.92 | 74.1 | - |
| after mag.sep. | 0.39 | 0.42 | 0.81 | 84.1 | 9.3 |

Annex 8 cont.

- 7) Capacity of water supply and water preparation for technological requirements is 38.7 cub. m./h resp. 930 cub.m./day.
- 8) Steam pressure: 13 bar
Steam temperature: 194°C
Capacity: 12.5 t of steam/h
- 9) Electric Power: annual consumption 3 659 722 kWh
- 10) Consumption of raw materials and power per ton of absolutely dry finished product:
- | | |
|--------------------|--|
| Crude ore | 4 000 kg |
| Flocculation agent | the quantity will be determined after test run |
| Industrial water | 2.73 m ³ |
| Water steam | 0.87 t |
| Electric power | 43 kWh |
| Filter cloth | the quantity will be determined after test run |
- 11) Total price of investment 4,833,000.00 Cl \$

Annex 9 Technological scheme of the continuous treatment of wastewaters by means of specially modified bentonites

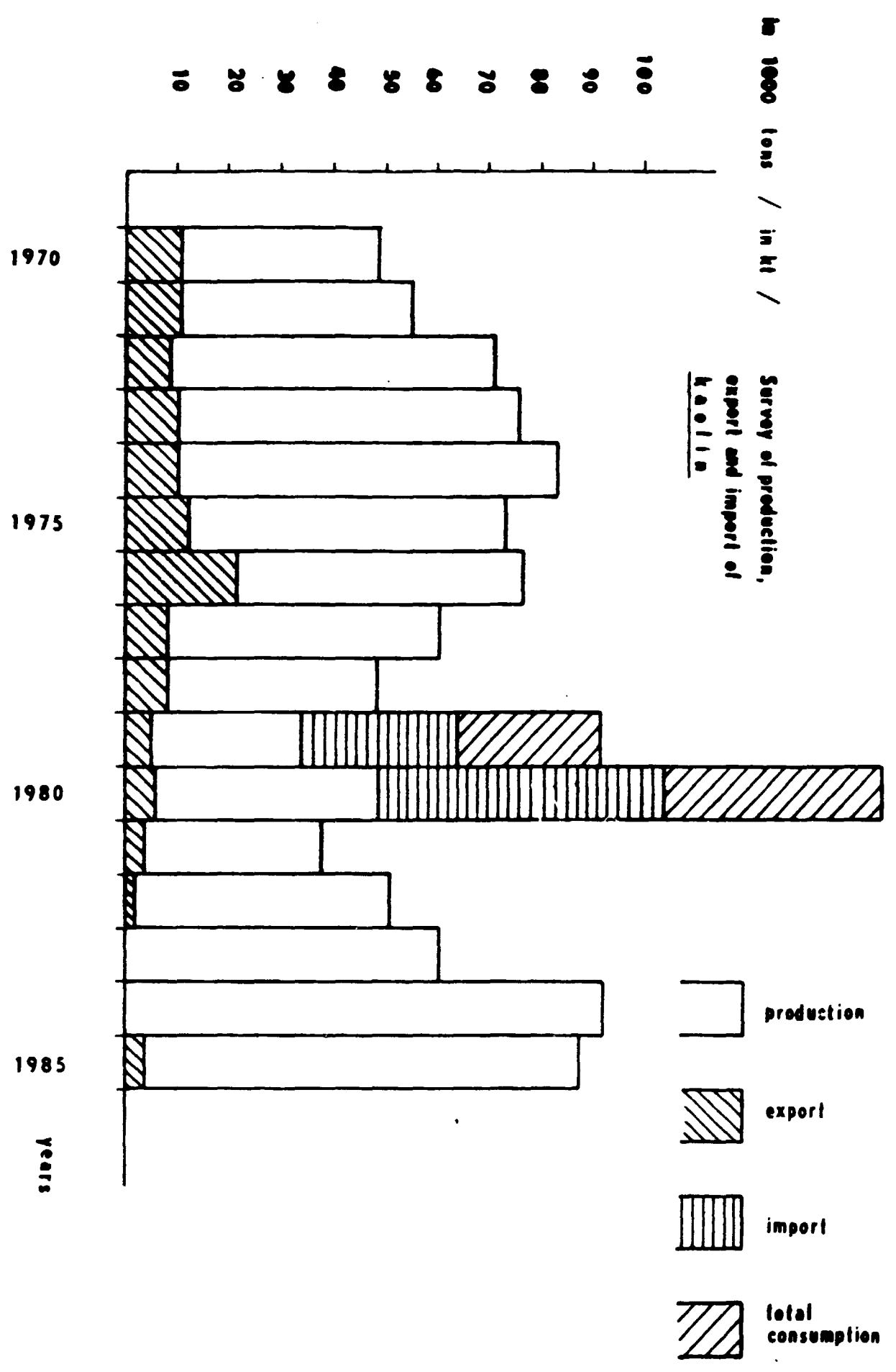


- Legend:
- 1 - pump for wastewater transporting
 - 2 - blunger and reservoir of bentonite suspension
 - 3 - blunger and reservoir of neutralization agent
 - 4 - blunger and reservoir of flocculant
 - 5, 6, 7 - metering pumps
 - 8 - mixer
 - 9 - settler

Annex 10

List of laboratory equipment - application of specially modified bentonites for wastewater treatment

1. Laboratory drier (max 200°C)
2. Analytical balance, weighing range 1 kg, readability 0.1 mg
3. Analytical balance, weighing range 200 g m, readability 0.1 mg
4. Chemical oxygen demand (COD) determination set
 - hot plate
 - Erlenmeyer flasks (250 ml)
 - coolers
5. Equipment for volumetric analysis
6. Equipment for filtration of the sludge
(Buechner stopper, vacuum pump)
7. pH - meter
8. vibration (or ball) laboratory mill for dry grinding
(volume about 1 kg)
9. Sieves - 2 mm and 0.315 mm
10. Laboratory stirrers, magnetic stirrers
11. Polarograph (for determination of heavy metals, if applicable)
12. Mixer
13. Laboratory refrigerator
14. Chemicals:
 - H_2SO_4 , $K_2Cr_2O_7$, $(NH_4)_2 Fe(SO_4)_2$, KOH, Na_2CO_3 ,
distilled water
 - organic flocculants (e.g. PRAESTOL)
15. Laboratory glass equipment
16. Sample flasks - PE or glass, 5 l



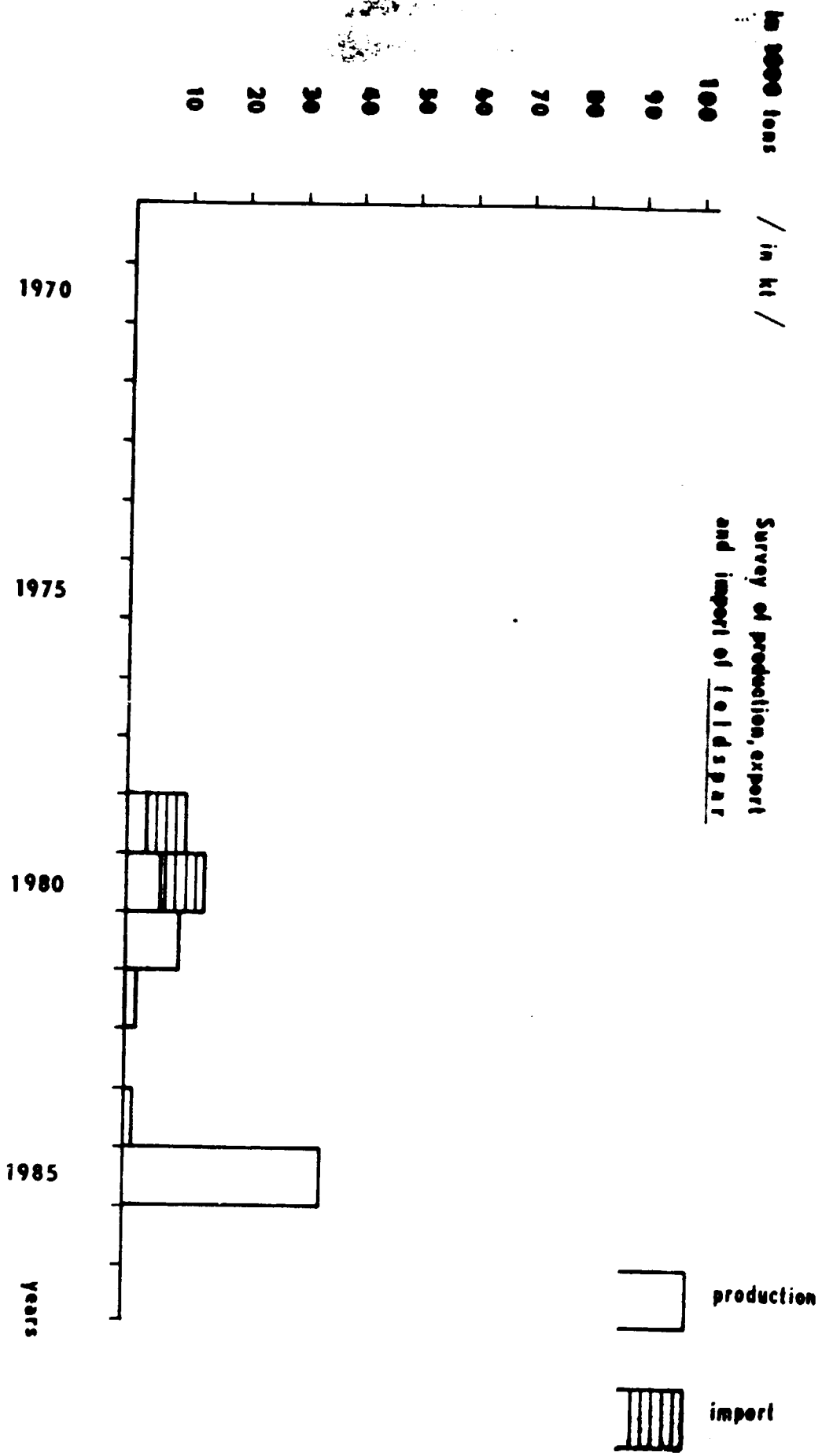
Annex 12

| a | | b | c | d | e | | f | g | h |
|---------|---|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
| 1979 | 1 | 32 803 | | | 4 | 56 479 | 140 249 | 2 483 | 88 % |
| | 2 | 5 131 | 11 172 | 2 177 | 4 | 7 715 | 53 513 | 6 936 | 12 % |
| | 3 | 27 672 | | | 5 | 64 194 | 193 762 | | 100 % |
| 91 866 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1 | 48 399 | | | 4 | 92 274 | 315 275 | 3 417 | 88 % |
| | 2 | 5 594 | 16 302 | 2 914 | 4 | 12 482 | 78 509 | 6 290 | 12 % |
| | 3 | 42 805 | | | 5 | 104 756 | 393 784 | | 100 % |
| 147 561 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1981 | 1 | 37 364 | | | Notes : | | | | |
| | 2 | 3 362 | 18 946 | 5 635 | | | | | |
| | 3 | 34 002 | | | | | | | |
| 1982 | 1 | 50 179 | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 1 690 | 10 305 | 6 098 | | | | | |
| | 3 | 48 489 | | | | | | | |
| 1983 | 1 | 60 749 | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 70 | 502 | 7 171 | | | | | |
| | 3 | 60 679 | | | | | | | |
| 1984 | 1 | 92 407 | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 275 | 2 706 | 9 840 | | | | | |
| | 3 | 92 132 | | | | | | | |
| 1985 | 1 | 87 323 | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 3 575 | 43 392 | 12 138 | | | | | |
| | 3 | 83 748 | | | | | | | |

Notes :

- | | | | |
|---|--------------|---|------------------------------|
| 1 | production | a | year |
| 2 | export | b | in tons |
| 3 | consumption | c | in 1000 DR |
| 4 | import | d | in DR/ton |
| 5 | total import | e | in tons |
| | | f | in 1000 DR |
| | | g | in DR/ton |
| | | h | total consumption in tons |

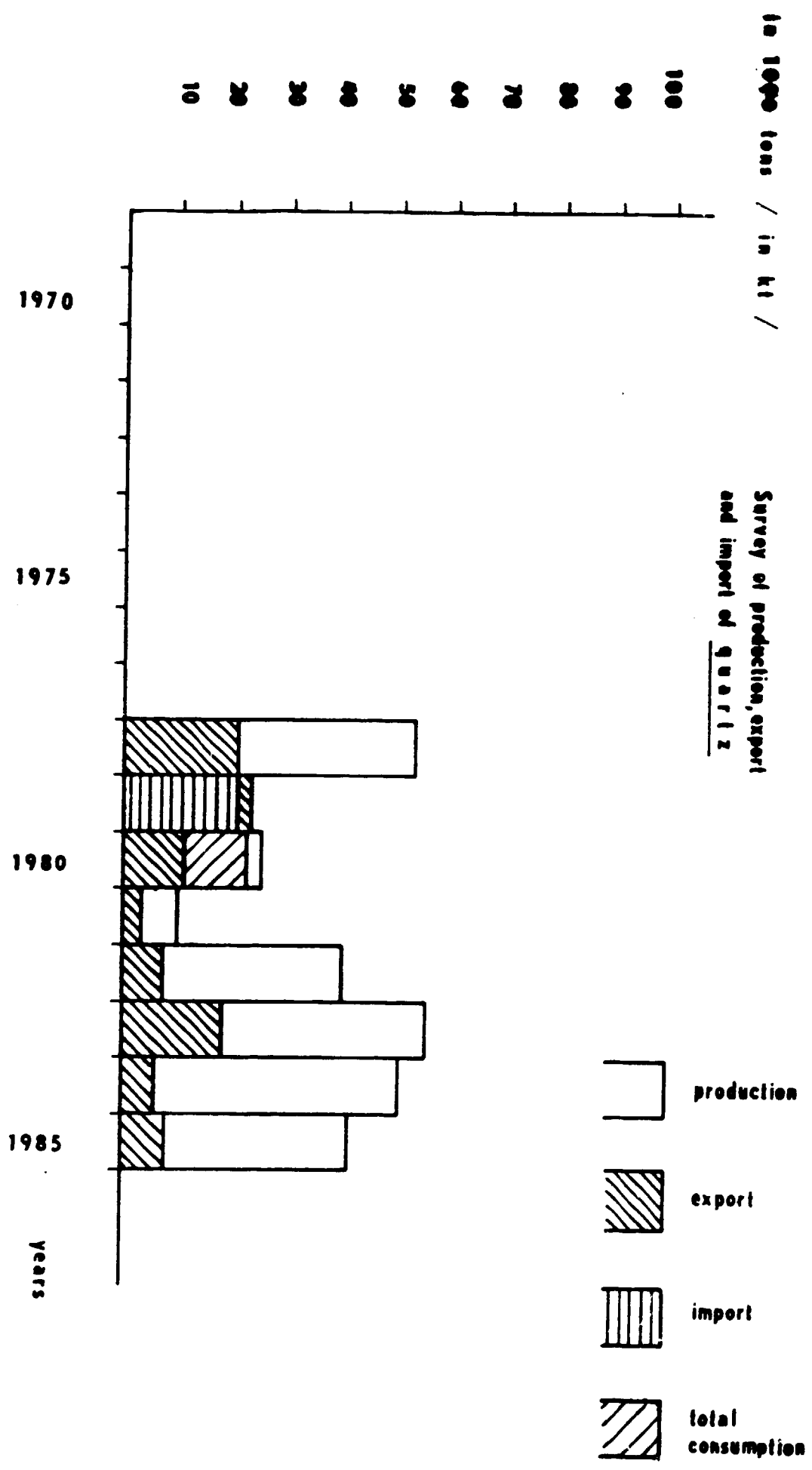
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Annex 14

| a | | | | b | | | | c | | | | d | | | | e | | | | f | | | | g | | | | h | | | |
|------|---|--------|--|---|--|--------|--|---|--------|--|--|-------|--|--|---|--------|--|--|--------|---|--|-------|--|---|--------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1979 | 1 | 3 550 | | | 4 | 10 341 | | | 42 517 | | | 4 111 | | | 5 | 10 341 | | | 42 517 | | | 4 111 | | | 13 891 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | - | | | - | | | - | | | | - | | | - | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 3 550 | | | | - | | | - | | | - | | | | - | | | - | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1980 | 1 | 5 900 | | | 4 | 13 908 | | | 66 979 | | | 4 816 | | | 5 | 13 908 | | | 66 979 | | | 4 816 | | | 19 808 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | - | | | - | | | - | | | | - | | | - | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 5 900 | | | | - | | | - | | | - | | | | - | | | - | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1981 | 1 | 9 556 | | | Notes : 1 production a year 2 export b in tons 3 consumption c in 1000 DR 4 import d in DR/ton 5 total import e in tons f in 1000 DR g in DR/ton h total consumption in tons | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 9 556 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1982 | 1 | 1 500 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 1 500 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1983 | 1 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1984 | 1 | 1 108 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 1 108 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1985 | 1 | 34 810 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2 | - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 3 | 34 810 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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Annex 16

| a | | b | c | d | e | f | g | h |
|------|---|--------|--------|-------|--|-----|-------|---------|
| 1979 | 1 | 20 958 | | | 4 | 448 | 2 350 | 5 246 |
| | 2 | 23 630 | 20 117 | 851 | 5 | 448 | 2 350 | 5 246 |
| | 3 | 2 672 | | | | | | - 2 224 |
| 1980 | 1 | 25 049 | | | 4 | 36 | 478 | 13 278 |
| | 2 | 11 662 | 13 850 | 1 188 | 5 | 36 | 478 | 13 278 |
| | 3 | 23 387 | | | | | | 23 423 |
| 1981 | 1 | 10 413 | | | Notes : 1 production a year 2 export b in tons 3 consumption c in 1000 DR 4 import d in DR/ton 5 total import e in tons f in 1000 DR g in DR/ton h total consumption in tons | | | |
| | 2 | 3 706 | 4 822 | 1 301 | | | | |
| | 3 | 6 707 | | | | | | |
| 1982 | 1 | 40 126 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 7 397 | 12 771 | 1 727 | | | | |
| | 3 | 32 729 | | | | | | |
| 1983 | 1 | 55 164 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 18 755 | 35 828 | 1 910 | | | | |
| | 3 | 36 409 | | | | | | |
| 1984 | 1 | 50 560 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 5 923 | 14 610 | 2 467 | | | | |
| | 3 | 44 637 | | | | | | |
| 1985 | 1 | 41 231 | | | | | | |
| | 2 | 7 937 | 26 866 | 3 385 | | | | |
| | 3 | 33 294 | | | | | | |

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Annex 17 Selected Exporters and Importers of Montmorillonite Clays (000 t)

| Export | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Germany F.R. of | 31.6 | 37.3 | 32.9 | 44.3 | 30.5 | 25.0 | 26.3 | 29.8 | 24.0 |
| Greece | 316.7 | 296.9 | 336.4 | 381.6 | 381.1 | 331.7 | 272.2 | 339.7 | N.A. |
| India | 3.5 | 8.0 | 15.7 | 6.2 | 11.1 | 15.9 | 21.8 | 18.2 | 8.9 |
| Italy | 15.7 | 24.0 | 19.3 | 23.5 | 18.6 | 20.2 | 31.3 | 19.0 | 36.3 |
| Netherlands | 12.0 | 18.0 | 13.0 | 10.5 | 18.1 | 24.9 | 27.3 | 36.0 | 46.6 |
| Spain | 15.4 | 18.6 | 22.6 | 26.1 | 11.9 | 37.9 | 39.9 | 32.6 | N.A. |
| UK | 17.4 | 22.3 | 15.9 | 18.4 | 17.1 | 17.7 | 15.9 | 25.0 | N.A. |
| USA | 551.9 | 698.0 | 670.9 | 752.3 | 755.6 | 709.9 | 840.6 | 1012.4 | 882.9 |
| Imports | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 63.1 | 69.1 | 50.2 | 63.7 | 11.8 | 19.4 | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |
| Belgium | 11.3 | 17.3 | 22.6 | 27.8 | 26.6 | 28.6 | 24.6 | 38.5 | 25.8 |
| Brazil | 19.3 | 17.7 | 13.1 | 14.0 | 16.2 | 14.4 | 21.6 | 13.2 | N.A. |
| Canada | 367.6 | 345.2 | 286.0 | 366.6 | 478.1 | 295.7 | 612.3 | 469.5 | 311.6 |
| France | 72.8 | 124.0 | 103.8 | 94.3 | 91.3 | 88.5 | 94.5 | 18.0 | 95.0 |
| Germany F.R. of | 33.8 | 107.0 | 43.5 | 93.3 | 77.5 | 45.9 | 66.8 | 78.0 | 77.2 |
| Italy | 25.9 | 26.8 | 23.4 | 42.5 | 64.6 | 54.7 | 29.9 | 55.4 | 25.4 |
| Netherlands | 42.8 | 38.4 | 46.4 | 35.4 | 38.3 | 58.7 | 64.9 | 68.9 | 63.2 |
| UK | 53.5 | 73.4 | 45.4 | 48.4 | 79.0 | 46.2 | 75.4 | 79.2 | N.A. |

Source: International Trade Statistics

Annex 18 FOB Values of Selected Exports of Bentonite and Fuller's Earth (US \$/t)

| | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Belgium (bentonite) | 82.6 | 73.9 | 80.4 | 91.7 | 109.9 | 108.7 | 93.8 |
| France (bentonite) | 124.6 | 125.8 | 125.9 | 146.3 | 235.8 | 189.2 | 153.6 |
| (fuller's earth) | 52.0 | 49.9 | 50.0 | 139.3 | 102.6 | 85.7 | 93.6 |
| Germany F.R. of (natural bentonite) | 95.4 | 92.3 | 113.7 | 136.2 | 150.3 | 155.5 | 154.4 |
| Greece (crude bentonite) | 12.7 | 12.7 | 13.7 | 16.4 | 17.2 | 15.2 | - |
| (processed bentonite) | 18.8 | 17.3 | 19.6 | 19.3 | 22.7 | 26.3 | - |
| Italy (bentonite) | 55.0 | 80.4 | 73.2 | 94.2 | 80.0 | 120.1 | 92.5 |
| USA (bentonite) | 62.4 | 70.6 | 64.1 | 65.9 | 71.4 | 76.4 | 82.5 |
| (fuller's earth) | 67.2 | 70.6 | 67.9 | 78.7 | 77.1 | 88.7 | 103.6 |

Source: International Trade Statistics

Field activity of UNIDO Technical Assistance
Experts (Project DP/GRE/86/008, posts 11-01,
11-02,11-04)

| Date | Post presence | Activity |
|----------|-----------------------|---|
| 4.6. | 11-01, 11-02 | Arrival - Athens |
| 5.6. | "- | IGME Athens |
| 6.-7.6 | "- | Bauxite - Parnassos |
| 8.-12.6 | "- | Lesvos island - kaolin |
| 13.-15.6 | "- | IGME Athens, transfer to Salonica |
| 16.6. | "- | Transfer to Salonica |
| 17.6. | "- | IGME Branch Salonica, Kato Potamia- feldspars, Kilkis-quartz |
| 18.6. | 11-04 all posts | Arrival - Salonica Analipsi-metaarkose,MEVIOR, Agios Panteleimon-red clay |
| 19.-20.6 | "- | Sithonia peninsula -granite |
| 21.6. | "- | Transfer to Xanthi |
| 22.6. | "- | IGME Branch Xanthi, PORCEL, Tholos - feldspars |
| 23.6. | "- | Transfer to Soufli, Ferres - zeolites |
| 24.6. | "- | Dikea - sands |
| 25.6. | 11-02 11-01, 11-04 | Departure for Athens Metaxades - zeolites, transfer to Xanthi |
| 26.6. | 11-02 11-01, 11-04 | IGME Athens Theotokato - arkoses |
| 27.6. | 11-02 11-01, 11-04 | IGME Athens Theotokato - arkoses, transfer to Kassandra peninsula (Halkidiki) |
| 28.6 | 11-02 11-01, 11-04 | IGME Athens, preparation of termi- nal report Haniotis (kassandra) - sands, transfer to Athens |
| | 11-02 | Preparation of terminal report |

Annex 19 cont.

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| 29.6. | 11-01, 11-04 | Transfer to Athens |
| | 11-02 | Departure for Vienna |
| 30.6.-6.7. | 11-01, 11-04 | IGME Athens, laboratories |
| 7. - 9.7. | "- | Milos island - bentonite, per- lite, kaolin, illite, silica |
| 10.-12.7. | "- | IGME Athens - laboratories, preparation of terminal report |
| 12.7. | 11-04 | Departure for Vienna |
| 13.-31.7. | 11-01 | IGME Athens, preparation of terminal report |
| 31.7. | 11-01 | Departure for Vienna |

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UNIDO

JOB DESCRIPTION

DP/GRE/86/008/11-01/J 13419

Post title: Raw materials specialist

Duration: Two (2) months

Date Required: March 1987

Duty Station: Athens and selected field areas as required

Duties: In consultation with the National Project Director and the IGME scientific personnel the consultant shall:

- 1) Review existing geological data related to various areas in Greece favoured with the existence of selected industrial minerals.
- 2) Evaluation and interpretation of the reviewed data in the local geological context of each area.
- 3) Visits to the selected areas and collection of representative samples for testing in the IGME laboratories and for sending abroad.
- 4) Training on the job of the IGME personnel.
- 5) Submission of a report containing major findings, conclusions and recommendations, for the integrated exploitation of the selected industrial minerals.

Qualifications: Senior geologist with broad experience in the exploration and exploitation of industrial minerals.

Language: English.

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Applications and communications regarding this Job Description should be sent to:
Project Personnel Recruitment Section, Industrial Operations Division
UNIDO, VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, P.O. Box 300, Vienna, Austria

**Project
Objective,**

The project is designed to strengthen IGME's capability in the field of industrial minerals for the development of selected exploration projects leading to the integrated exploitation of industrial minerals.

**Background
information,**

Industrial minerals cover a major part of Greek mineral raw materials. The needs of the existing industry are to a great extent covered by imported raw materials. Therefore industrial minerals become a subject with first priority for the IGME research programme.

The assimilation of international experience in this field will provide the basis for the intensification of exploitation on local mineral raw materials.

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UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

UNIDO

JOB DESCRIPTION

DP/GRE/86/008/11-02/J13419

Post title: Consultant in Mineral Processing of Industrial Minerals.

Duration: One (1) month

Date required: May 1987

Duty station: Athens laboratories

Duties: The consultant will assist the institute staff in the mineralogical processing and evaluation of Greek industrial minerals.

- 1) Review of existing data
- 2) Selection and preparation of samples
- 3) Determination of processing characteristics. Application of traditional processing methods to beneficiate industrial minerals.
- 4) Evaluation of the produced concentrates according to their marketability.
- 5) Training of the local staff in 3 and 4.
- 6) Economic assessment on the possibility of industrial exploitation.
- 7) Submission of a report containing observations conclusions and recommendations.

Qualifications: Senior mineral processing engineer with experience in industrial minerals evaluation. Teaching experience desirable.

Language: English or French.

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Applications and communications regarding this Job Description should be sent to:
Project Personnel Recruitment Section, Industrial Operations Division
UNIDO, VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, P.O. Box 300, Vienna, Austria

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objective:**

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**Background
information:**

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UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

UNIDO

JOB DESCRIPTION

DP/CRE/86/008/11-04/J13419

Post title: Consultant in up-grading of industrial minerals for non traditional uses.

Duration: One (1) month.

Date required: 15 June - 15 July 1987

Duty station: Athens Laboratories.

Duties: The consultant will assist the institute staff in the mineralogical processing and evaluation of Greek industrial mineral for non traditional uses.

- 1) Literature review.
- 2) Selection and preparation of samples.
- 3) Determination of mineralogy and application of new or traditional processing methods to evaluate industrial minerals for different uses.
- 4) Training of the staff to 3
- 5) Marketing of new products.
- 6) Economic assessment on the possibility of production of new products from known industrial minerals.

Qualifications: Senior up-grading engineer with experience in mineralogy and mineral processing as applied to the investigation of industrial minerals in not traditional uses.

Language: English or French.

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Applications and communications regarding this Job Description should be sent to:
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Objective:**

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