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PREFACE

The Secretariat of the Consultative Committee moved offices on 22 July 1976 from 3 Boulevard Joseph II, Luxembourg, where it had been for practically all its existence, to the new Jean Monnet Building on the Kirchberg plateau.

On 30 September 1976, 16 miners were killed in a colliery accident at Merlebach, France.

In accordance with tradition, one Session was held away from Luxembourg, in the country of the President, and took place on 6 and 7 October 1976 in London. The Bureau met on 31 January 1977 in Paris.

On 31 October 1976, the death occurred of Mr Jacques MARMASSE, a French member of the consumers' category. He was the Senior President and as such had presided over the constituent session in July. On 8 December 1976, the death occurred of Mr Richard CHANDLER, also a member of the consumers' category, and Bureau member for Ireland.

The President of the Committee, Mr GORMLEY, the Vice-President, Mr PICARD, together with Mr FERRY, representing the producers' category, met Mr Roy JENKINS, the new President of the Commission, on 14 February 1977 and discussed with him the Committee's work and rôle.

The Committee was represented for the first time at the Tripartite Conference on employment problems which took place in Luxembourg on 27 June 1977. The Committee's representatives were Mr DOYEN and Mr ROBERT.

Cooperation with the Economic and Social Committee on matters of common concern, particularly aspects of Community energy policy, continued. A representative of the ESC attended a meeting of the Subcommittee for Markets and Prices on 7 March and representatives of the Consultative Committee attended a number of meetings of the ESC Energy Section and its working groups.

CHAPTER I

HEARINGS AND EXCHANGES OF VIEWS

1) Hearings requested by the Commission of
the European Communities

a) Pursuant to Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty,

- on the forward programmes for coal and steel based on Article 46
of the Treaty

COAL

	Date of submission by Commission	Discussions in subcommittee	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
1976 - Review	20.9.1976	---	179th Session 6/7.10.1976
1977 - Submission	2.3.1977	Markets and Prices 7.3.1977 + General Objectives 11.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977

STEEL

October-December 1976 - Submission for three months	6.10.1976	---	179th Session 6/7.10.1976
January-March 1977 - Submission for three months	3.12.1976	Markets and Prices 14.12.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
April-June 1977 Submission for three months	3.3.1977	Markets and Prices 7.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
July-December 1977 - Submission for six months	9.6.1977	---	184th Session 16.6.1977

b) Pursuant to Article 19 of the Treaty,

- relating to the application of the crisis measures on the steel market.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 9.12.1976.

Consultative Committee consulted at its 181st Session of 16.12.1976.

c) Pursuant to Articles 19 and 54, para 1 of the Treaty,

- on industrial loans at reduced rates which might be granted by the Commission of the European Communities.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 7.7.1977.

Consultative Committee consulted at the 185th Session of 11/12.7.1977.

d) Pursuant to Articles 19 and 56 of the Treaty,

- on reconversion loans granted at reduced interest rates under Article 56 of the ECSC Treaty for investments which create alternative employment opportunities in areas affected by a decline in the activities of the coal or steel industries.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 7.7.1977.

Consultative Committee consulted at its 185th Session of 11/12.7.1977.

e) Pursuant to Article 46 § 3 of the Treaty,

- in respect of a revision of the General Objectives for Steel
1980-85.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 14.4.1977.

Consultative Committee consulted at its 183rd Session of 19.4.1977.

f) Pursuant to Article 55 (2c) of the Treaty

- on the desirability of making the following financial aid (research + ancillary costs) available from the levy funds pursuant to Article 50 of the Treaty

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
<u>COAL</u> Safety in mines	7 500 000	8.9.1976	179th Session 6/7.10.1976
Development of methods of controlling methane	228 600	30.11.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
Control of mine climate in the presence of high rock temperatures and high-output operation	493 500	"	"
The use of chilled dust suppression water and other techniques to control heat emission on the coal face	165 000	"	"
Improved stability of walls and roofs	596 400	"	"
Face and roadway stability: geological criteria	48 600	"	"
Prediction of strata stability from instrumentation and modelling data	72 900	"	"
New coalwinning and transport systems for inclined seams	807 300	"	"
Optimisation of coalwinning techniques and development of new equipment	2 298 300	"	"
Automation of coalwinning	1 406 100	"	"
Use of fire-resistant fluids in slow-running hydraulic motors	124 200	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Improvement of T-Junctions	672 900	30.11.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
The improvement of face ends	944 700	"	"
Improvement of the operating characteristics of conveyor belts with high-strength reinforcement	336 600	"	"
Trackless haulage technology	874 500	"	"
Rationalisation and modernisation of manriding and equipment transport	271 500	"	"
Mine roadway floor stabilisation	285 000	"	"
Underground radio: data transmission and processing	467 400	"	"
Control of colliery operations	1 320 600	"	"
Optimisation of the preparation of washing water and other suspensions	392 400	"	"
Continuous determination of sulphur content	256 500	"	"
		Dissemination of information for these research projects 100 000 EUA	
Direct analysis of coal and coke mineral constituents using the glow discharge technique	95 400	30.11.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
Development of a laboratory test to detect the dangers of pressure in preheated blends	125 100	"	"
Vertical temperature distribution and its improvement in tall ovens	233 700	"	"
Relationship between properties of coke oven blends and coke product	440 400	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Blast furnace trials with coke manufactured in conventional ovens from blends containing briquettes of non-coking coal	500 000	30.11.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
Contributions to the process control of coking plant operation	542 100	"	"
Recovery of ammonia from coke oven gas using ammonium sulphite	336 600	"	"
Recovery of phenols from tar and aqueous liquor effluent	59 100	"	"
Manufacture of granular coke in a rotating hearth oven	269 100	"	"
Investigation of the possibility of improving the final treatment of coking plant effluent by secondary biological processing	115 800	"	"
Production, preparation and utilization of gas from coal	1 222 200	"	"
Solution of coal in supercritical solvents: depressurising particulate solids	349 500	"	"
Valorisation of coal by hydrogenation	354 300	"	"
Beneficiation of colliery spoil by conversion into aggregate	276 600	"	"
Spoil upgrading	227 400	"	"
Improved industrial appliances for coal	345 300	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
A proposed experimental investigation to provide data for improved combustion of higher ash coals in pulverized coal firing	312 900	30.11.1976	181st Session 16.12.1976
The estimation of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons and their aza derivatives formed during coal processing	166 500	"	"
<u>STEEL</u> Trials of winning high-silica ore in longwall faces using cutter-loaders	226 200	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
Centrifuge ironmaking process	254 400	"	"
Automation of the direct reduction process in the rotary kiln	398 100	"	"
Investigation of the equilibria between liquid oxide, reducing agents and steel melt for the production of high-alloy steels by melting reduction	74 700	"	"
Degradation of coke in the blast furnace and its relationship with coke properties and blast furnace performance	294 600	"	"
Investigation of the causes of pressure pulsation in combustion chamber especially in hot-blast stoves	259 200	"	"
Study of stove-coolers	194 100	"	"
Large-scale oil injection at blast furnace tuyeres	478 500	"	"
Calculation of the physico-chemical properties of steel-making slags by the Montecarlo method	49 800	"	"
Metallurgical powders in moulds to improve continuously-cast semis	223 500	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Third joint programme on casting and solidification	1 980 000	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
Electroslag remelting of powder electrodes for the production of compact ingots, moulds or clad rolls	199 800	"	"
Improvement of fired refractory bricks	305 100	"	"
Dynamic energy control system for an integrated steelwork	30 000	"	"
Resurfacing of rolling mill rolls	825 300	"	"
Optimization of the efficiency of hot strip mills	450 300	"	"
Hydrostatic extrusion of sections	221 700	"	"
Semi-hot drawing of materials difficult or impossible to cold-draw	105 000	"	"
Performance tests on strip treatment plant	168 000	"	"
Lubrication of rolls for hot rolling	179 100	"	"
Tension control on continuous long-product mills	180 900	"	"
Research on skin-passing	257 700	"	"
The use of blast furnace gas as fuel in high-temperature furnaces	196 200	"	"
Improvement of methods of sorting steel on the test bench and in stockyards	262 800	"	"
Analysis of sulfide inclusions in steel	72 600	"	"
New plasma-source spectrometric techniques for the steel industry	390 000	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Development and practical testing of a method of analysing steel without taking samples	194 400	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
Structural analysis of steels by ultrasonic dispersion	215 100	"	"
Continuous testing of material properties of cold-rolled steel strip	179 400	"	"
Continuous on-line measurement of gauge profile and shape of hot strip	182 400	"	"
Inspection of hot slab surfaces	170 100	"	"
Measurement of oxygen potential in liquid slags	68 400	"	"
Determination of certain oligo or trace elements by flameless atomic absorption spectrometry	101 400	"	"
Analysis of gas in steel	12 000	"	"
Economy in the manufacture and utilization of cryogenic steels	35 000	"	"
Cold cracking on implants	64 800	"	"
Investigation of the weldability of concrete reinforcing steel type FeB 500	137 100	"	"
The possibilities of assessing the safety of welded joints	1 176 960	"	"
Assessment of the safety of welded joints of 5.5% Ni steel for cryogenic use	43 800	"	"
Development of steel weldable with a high heat input	139 500	"	"
Molten metal in welding	275 400	"	"
Marine corrosion	717 660	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Stress corrosion of pre-stressing steels	358 500	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
The stress corrosion cracking mechanism of prestressing steel	118 200	"	"
Drawability of cold rolled sheets	120 000	"	"
Improvement of the fatigue strength of welds in high-strength water-quenched fine grained structural steels by thermal and mechanical treatment of the seams	40 500	"	"
Test method to determine the fatigue strength of steel reinforcing bars	315 900	"	"
Promotion of high strength steels	302 400	"	"
Fatigue of welded joints in high-strength structural steels. European preliminary draft standards	25 000	"	"
Fracture mechanics of steels	177 900	"	"
Assessment of the fracture behaviour of steels on the basis of large-scale tensile tests having regard to the results	435 600	"	"
Mechanics and material behaviour as regards crack arrest	236 100	"	"
Fracture behaviour of gas transmission pipelines	25 500	"	"
Influence of steelmaking techniques on hot ductility of low-alloy ferritic steels	328 800	"	"
Tests of heat-resisting steels under periodically fluctuating stress	413 100	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Collaborative research on the determination of the residual life of in-service steel components for high-temperature use	68 400	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
Two programmes on improvement of the service properties of heat-resisting steels for turbines	136 200	"	"
Ferritic stainless steels with low content of interstitials	160 200	"	"
Influence of inclusion distribution and morphology on plastic deformation and fracture mechanisms in steel	129 300	"	"
Non destructive testing of steels by small angle neutron scattering	245 100	"	"
Precipitation kinetics in the non-continuous cooling of sheet coils after accelerated cooling	220 200	"	"
Concentration of foreign atoms at grain boundaries in iron and steel	155 700	"	"
Quantitative metallography	684 600	"	"
Research programme at the Berlin testing station for industrialised building in steel	153 000	"	"
Use of steel sheet piling	483 000	"	"
Reaction of load-bearing steel structures to seismic phenomena	155 100	"	"
Conditions for the development of steel construction in typical non-residential buildings	42 000	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Fire resistance of metal structures	385 800	9.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977
Measurement and interpretation of cumulative loads on bridges	29 100	"	"
Static and fatigue behaviour of welded tubular joints in off-shore structures	228 300	"	"
		Dissemination of information for these research projects 544 980 EUA	

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

- RESEARCH COSTS 43 699 520 EUA
- ANCILLARY COSTS 644 980 EUA

g) Pursuant to Article 61 (b) of the Treaty

- on the introduction of minimum prices for concrete reinforcing bars within the common market.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 13.4.1977.

Consultation held with the Committee at its 183rd Session of 19.4.1977.

h) Pursuant to Article 95, paras 1 and 2 of the Treaty,

- on the extension of and amendment to Decision no. 73/287/ECSC on coking coal and coke for the Community iron and steel industry.

Consultation requestion by the Commission on 8.11.1976.

Consultation held with the Committee at its 180th Session of 25/26.11.1976.

- on the amendment to draft modifications to Decision 73/287/ECSC concerning coal and coke for the iron and steel industry in the Community.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 14.3.1977.

Consultation prepared in the meeting of the Subcommittee for General Objectives of 3.6.1977.

Consultative Committee consulted at 184th Session of 16.6.1977.

- on the Draft Commission Decision (ECSC) amending decision 3544/73/ECSC implementing decision 73/287/ECSC concerning coking coal and coke

Consultation requested by the Commission on 30.6.1977.

Consultation held with the Consultative Committee at its 185th Session of 11/12.7.1977.

- on the draft Commission Decision (ECSC) concerning limitation periods in proceedings and enforcement of sanctions under the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 12.12.1976.

Consultation held with the Committee at its 182nd Session of 17.3.1977.

- on the proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) concerning Community aid for financing cyclical stocks of hard coal, coke and patent fuel.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 4.4.1977.

Consultation prepared by the meeting of the Subcommittee for General Objectives of 3.6.1977.

Consultation held with the Consultative Committee at its 184th Session of 16.6.1977.

2) Opinion requested by the Commission of
the European Communities

Subject of opinion	Date of Commission application	Date of discussion		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
Common Steel Policy	26.10.1976	-	180th Session 25/26.11.1976 181st Session 16.12.1976	- Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/4624/1/76)

3) Exchanges of view requested by the Commission
of the European Communities

Subject of exchange of views	Date of Commission application	Date of discussions		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
Current problems in the steel industry	28.7.1976	-	179th Session 6/7.10.1976	-
The energy situation in the Community. Situation 1975 - Outlook 1976	14.9.1976	-	179th Session 6/7.10.1976	-
Publication by the Commission of indicative prices for some steel products	14.4.1977	-	183rd Session 19.4.1977	-

4) Exchanges of views requested by the Consultative Committee

Subject of the exchange of views	Date of application by the Consultative Committee	Date of discussion		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
Community steel policy	250th Bureau meeting 6.10.1976	-	179th Session 6/7.10.1976	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/3438/1/76)
	254th Bureau meeting 17.3.1977	-	182nd Session 17.3.1977	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/1271/1/77)
Harmonisation of legal and administrative regulations of the Member States on the provision of safety information at the workplace	250th Bureau meeting 6.10.1976	Labour Problems 16.11.1976	180th Session 25/26.11.1976	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/4293/1/76)
		+ 31.5.1977	+ 184th Session 16.6.1977	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/2258/1/77)
The 13th Report (1975) of the Mines Safety and Health Commission	250th Bureau meeting 6.10.1976	Labour Problems 16.11.1976 + 31.5.1977	181st Session 16.12.1976 + 184th Session 16.6.1977	-
The fixing of the ECSC levies and the drawing up of the operational budget for 1977	179th Session 6/7.10.1976	-	180th Session 25/26.11.1976	-
Proposal for a Council Regulation on Community financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation	251st Bureau meeting 25.11.1976	Markets and Prices 7.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/1272/1/77)

Subject of the exchange of views	Date of application by the Consultative Committee	Date of discussion		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
The 7th (1975) and 8th (1976) Reports of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	Labour Problems 3.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977	-
The position of the Community's coal industry	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	General Objectives 11.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977	-
Regional Policy: conversion aids in coal and steel areas	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	Labour Problems 3.3.1977 + General Objectives 11.3.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977	-
The ECSC's contribution to the financing of industrial investment in the coal and steel sectors in 1976	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	General Objectives 11.3.1977 + 3.6.1977	182nd Session 17.3.1977 + 184th Session 16.6.1977	-
Examination of ECSC readaptation aids (bilateral agreements)	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	Labour Problems 31.5.1977	184th Session 16.6.1977	--
Problems of the coal market	253rd Bureau meeting 31.1.1977	--	185th Session 11/12.7.1977	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/2804/1/77)

CHAPTER II

MEETINGS OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

a) BUREAU MEETINGS

15 July 1976	-	249th Meeting
6 October 1976	-	250th Meeting (London)
25 November 1976	-	251st Meeting
16 December 1976	-	252nd Meeting
31 January 1977	-	253rd Meeting (Paris)
17 March 1977	-	254th Meeting
19 April 1977	-	255th Meeting
16 June 1977	-	256th Meeting
11 + 12 July 1977	-	257th Meeting

b) SESSIONS

1976

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|-----------------------|---|---|
| 15 July 1976 | - | 178th Session (Constituent Session) |
| 6 + 7 October 1976 | - | 179th Session (First ordinary Session) |
| 25 + 26 November 1976 | - | 180th Session (Extraordinary Session) |
| 16 December 1976 | - | 181st Session (Second ordinary Session) |

1977

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| 17 March 1977 | - | 182nd Session (Third ordinary Session) |
| 19 April 1977 | - | 183rd Session (Extraordinary Session) |
| 16 June 1977 | - | 184th Session (Fourth ordinary Session) |
| 11 + 12 July 1977 | - | 185th Session (Extraordinary Session) |
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178th SESSION

Thursday 15 July 1976 - Luxembourg
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr MARMASSE, Senior President
Mr GORMLEY, Elected President

Agenda

- 1) Election of the President and Bureau of the*
Consultative Committee for the business year
1976/1977
- 2) Appointment of members of the standing *
subcommittees
- 3) Settlement of dates for the Committee's
ordinary sessions

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/2823/76)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/2697/76)

* Composition of the Bureau and the permanent subcommittees published in
the Official Journal C 195 of 20.8.1976.

179th SESSION

Wednesday/Thursday, 6/7 October 1976 - London
Waldorf Hotel, Aldwych

In the Chair

Mr GORMLEY

Member of the Commission Mr SIMONET, Vice-President

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Minutes of the 178th Session of 15.7.1976
- 2) Statement by Mr Simonet, Vice-President of the European Commission, on its activities in the ECSC field, particularly concerning the steel industry
- 3) Examination of the energy situation in the Community
- 4) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the amendments to the general coal market situation. Outlook for 1976
- 5) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Programme for Steel for the 4th quarter of 1976
- 6) Consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 7 500 000 EUA, to a five year general research programme on "Safety in Mines"
- 7) Any other business

Documents submitted by
the Commission

Item 2 : Problems of the steel industry
(Doc. SEC(76) 2813 final)

Item 3 : The energy situation in the Community
Situation 1975 - Outlook 1976
(Doc. SEC(76) 1392 final)

Item 4 : Revision of the General Coal Market
Situation. Forecasts for 1976.
(Doc. XVII/267/76 - O.J. C 146 of 28.6.76)

Item 5 : Forward Programme for Steel for the 4th
quarter of 1976
(Doc. III/930/76)

Item 6 : Memorandum - Establishment of a research
programme "Safety in Mines"
(Doc. COM(76) 402 final)

Document submitted by
the Consultative
Committee

Item 5 : Draft resolution on steel statistics presented
by Mr JUDITH and others under Article 12 § 8
of the Internal Regulations
(Doc. A/3438/76)

Document submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Research Projects

Item 6 : Record of the meeting held on 6.10.76
(Doc. B/3663/76)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/3665/76)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/3664/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee
(Doc. A/3438/1/76)

180th SESSION

Thursday/Friday, 25/26 November 1976 - Luxembourg
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Members of the Commission

Mr SIMONET, Vice-President
Mr VOUEL

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 179th Session of 6/7.10.1976
- 2) Statement on the common steel policy
- 3) Examination of the Commission proposal for a Council directive on harmonisation of safety information at the workplace
- 4) Exchange of views on the setting of the ECSC levy rates and the drawing up of the ECSC budget for 1977
- 5) Consultation, according to Article 95, para 1 of the Treaty, on the extension of and amendment to Decision No. 73/287/ECSC on coking coal and coke for the Community iron and steel industry
- 6) Any other business

Documents submitted by the Commission

- Item 2 : Common Steel Policy + Technical Annex
(Doc. COM(76) 543 final + Doc. SEC(76) 3467 final)
- Item 3 : Proposal for a Council Directive on the harmonisation of the legal and administrative regulations of the Member States on the provision of safety information at the workplace
(Doc. COM (76) 132 final)

Item 4 : Aide-Memoire on the fixing of the ECSC
levies and on the drawing-up of the operational
budget for 1977
(Doc. COM (76) 545 final)

Item 5 : Draft modifications to decision 73/287/ECSC
concerning coal and coke for the iron and
steel industry in the Community
(Doc. COM (76) 582 final)

Documents submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Labour Problems

Item 3 : Record of the meeting held on 16.11.76
(Doc. B/4209/76)

Draft resolution of the Consultative
Committee presented by Mr SHEPHARD
(Doc. A/4293/76)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/4383/76)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/4384/76)

Documents compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee*
(Doc. A/4293/1/76)

* Published in the Official Journal C 295 of 14.12.76

181st SESSION

Thursday, 16 December 1976 - Luxembourg
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Member of the Commission

Mr SIMONET, Vice-President

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 180th Session of 25 and 26 November 1976
- 2) Examination, according to Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Programme for Steel for the 1st quarter of 1977
- 3) Statement by the Commission on the possible application of the anti-crisis plan for steel
- 4) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 5) Consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 18.1 million EUA, to two coal research programmes: mining techniques and valorisation of coal.
- 6) Examination of the 13th Report (1975) of the Mines Safety and Health Commission

Documents submitted by
the Commission

- Item 2 : Forward Programme for Steel, 1st Quarter 1977
(Doc. III/1315/76)
- Item 3 : Economic indicators for the assessment of
the situation on the steel market
(Doc. III/1365/76)

Common steel policy
(Doc. SEC (76) 4143 final)

Communication of the Commission (ECSC)
relating to the application of the crisis
measures on the steel market (Article 46
of the ECSC treaty)
(Doc. SEC(76) 4433 final)

Item 5 : Memoranda concerning research programmes
1) in the field of mining technology and
2) in the field of product beneficiation -
in the coal industry, with a view to ob-
taining financial aid under the terms of
Article 55 § 2c of the ECSC Treaty (Budgetary
year 1977)
(Doc. COM(76) 637 final + two annexes
Doc. XVII/378 and 379/76)

Item 6 : 13th Report (1976) of the Mines Safety and
Health Commission

Documents submitted by
the Consultative Committee

Item 3 : Draft resolution of the Consultative
Committee concerning employment in the
steel industry
(Doc. A/4624/76)

Document submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Markets and Prices

Item 2 : Record of the meeting held on 14.12.76
(Doc. B/4634/76)

Document submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Research Projects

Item 5 : Record of the meeting held on 15.12.76
(Doc. B/4649/76)

Document submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Labour Problems

Item 6 : Record of the meeting held on 16.11.76
(Doc. B/4209/76)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/4650/76)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/4651/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee*
(Doc. A/4624/1/76)

* Published in the Official Journal C 3 of 6.1.77

182nd SESSION

Thursday, 17 March 1977 - Luxembourg
Jean Monnet Building, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Members of the Commission Mr VREDELING, Vice-President
Mr DAVIGNON

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Minutes of the 181st Session of 16.12.76.
- 2) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd quarter of 1977
- 3) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 4) Examination : a) of the position of the Community's coal market
b) of the general situation in the coal market for 1976 - outlook 1977
- 5) Examination of the proposal for a Council Regulation on Community financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation
- 6) Consultation, in accordance with Article 95, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Treaty, on the draft Commission Decision (ECSC) concerning limitation periods in proceedings and enforcement of sanctions under the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community
- 7) Examination of the 7th (1975) and 8th (1976) Reports of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission
- 8) Consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 18 709 500 EUA (including 544 890 EUA for dissemination of information) to a steel research programme of 74 projects

- 9) Exchange of views on regional policy: conversion aids in coal and steel areas
- 10) Exchange of views on the financial activities of the Commission in respect to investment in 1976
- 11) Any other business

Documents submitted by
the Commission

- Item 2 : Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd quarter of 1977
(Doc. SEC (77) 773 final)
- The situation of the Community iron and steel industry
(Doc. III/326/77 and annex)
- Item 4 : The position of the Community's coal industry
(Doc. COM (76) 667 final)
- The general situation in the coal market for 1976 - Outlook for 1977
(Doc. XVII/3/77)
- Item 5 : Proposal for a council Regulation on Community financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation
(Doc. COM (76) 648/final/2)
- Item 6 : Draft Commission Decision (ECSC) concerning limitation periods in proceedings and enforcement of sanctions under the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community
(Doc. COM (76) 688 final)
- Item 7 : Reports of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission
(Docs. 381/76 and 1769/1/76)
- Item 8 : Memorandum on the implementation of an iron and steel research programme, with a view to obtaining financial aid under Article 55 § 2c of the ECSC Treaty
(Doc. COM (77) 42 final)
- Item 9 : Reconversion loans granted at reduced interest rates under Article 56 of the ECSC Treaty for investments which create alternative employment opportunities in regions affected by a decline in the activities of the coal or steel industries
(Doc. XVI/94/77)
- Item 10: The ECSC's contribution to the financing of industrial investment in the coal and steel sectors in 1976.
(Doc. 1035/77)

Documents submitted by the Consultative Committee Item 2 : Draft Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the steel market situation (Doc. A/1271/77)

Item 5 : Draft Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning the draft Council Regulation on Community financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation (Doc. A/1272/77)

Document submitted by the Subcommittee for Markets and Prices Item 2) : Record of the meeting held on 7.3.1977
Item 5) (Doc. B/1148/77)

Document submitted by the Subcommittee for General Objectives Item 4) : Record of the meeting held on 11.3.1977
Item 9) (Doc. B/1299/77)
Item 10)

Document submitted by the Subcommittee for Labour Problems Item 7) : Record of the meeting held on 3.3.1977
Item 9) (Doc. B/1088/77)

Document submitted by the Subcommittee for Research Projects Item 8 : Record of the meeting held on 16.3.1977 (Doc. B/1322/77)

Session Documents Minutes (Doc. A/1323/77)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/1324/77 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the steel market situation * (Doc. A/1271/1/77)

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation* (Doc. A/1272/1/77)

* Published in the Official Journal C 86 of 6.4.1977

183rd SESSION

Tuesday, 19 April 1977 - Luxembourg
Jean Monnet Building, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Member of the Commission

Mr DAVIGNON

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Minutes of the 182nd Session of 17.3.1977
- 2) Examination of and opinion on the measures to be taken in the steel market
- 3) Any other business

Documents submitted by the Commission

Item 2 : Consultation of the Consultative Committee on the introduction of minimum prices for concrete reinforcing bars within the common market pursuant to Article 61(b) of the ECSC Treaty
(Doc. COM (77) 145 final)

Communication of the Commission (ECSC) in respect of a revision of the General Objectives for Steel 1980-85 (Article 46 § 3 of the ECSC Treaty
(Doc. SEC (77) 1451)

Publication by the Commission of indicative prices for some steel products
(Doc. SEC (77) 1452)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/1731/77)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/1730/77 + corrigendum)

184th SESSION

Thursday, 16 June 1977 - Luxembourg
Jean Monnet Building, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Minutes of the 183rd Session of 19 April 1977
- 2) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 3) Coal problems:
 - i) Examination of the proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) concerning Community aid for financing cyclical stocks of hard coal, coke and patent fuel
 - ii) Information on the Commission proposal to modify Decision 73/287/ECSC concerning coal and coke for the iron and steel industry in the Community
- 4) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd half of 1977
- 5) Examination of ECSC readaptation aids (bilateral agreements)
- 6) Examination of the 13th Report of the Mines Safety and Health Commission together with its annexes
- 7) Possible further action to be taken on the proposed Council Directive on harmonisation of safety signs at the workplace
- 8) Exchange of views on the financial activities of the Commission in respect of investment in 1976
- 9) Any other business

Documents submitted by
the Commission

- Item 3 : Memorandum on the financial aid awarded by the Member States to the coal industry in 1976 (Doc. COM (77) 127 final)
- i) : Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) concerning Community aid for financing cyclical stocks of hard coal, coke and patent fuel (Doc. COM (77) 77 final)
- ii) : Draft modification to Decision 73/287/ECSC concerning coal and coke for the iron and steel industry in the Community (Doc. COM (77) 69 final)
- Item 4 : Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd half of 1977 (Doc. SEC (77) 2057 final)
- Official Journal L 114 of 5.5.77 regarding decisions on minimum prices and other recommendations
- Item 5 : Aid to steelworkers (Doc. CAB/VI/20/77)
- ECSC readaptation (Doc. 2011/77)
- Item 6 : 13th Report of the Mines Safety and Health Commission (1975) + annexes
- Item 7 : Positions taken by the Mines Safety and Health Commission and the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission (Doc. 2051/77 and annex 507/77)
- Item 8 : ECSC contribution to the financing of investment in the coalmining and iron and steel sectors since 1973 (Doc. 310/77 and Doc. 1035/77)

Documents submitted by
the Consultative
Committee

- Item 7 : Draft Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning harmonisation of safety signs at the workplace (Doc. B/2258/77)
- Consultative Committee resolution of 26.11.76 (O.J. C 295/3 of 14.12.76)

Document submitted by the
Subcommittee for General
Objectives

- Item 3) : Record of the meeting held on 3 June 1977
Item 8) (Doc. B/2316/77)

Document submitted by
the Subcommittee for
Labour Problems

Item 5): Record of the meeting held on 31.5.1977
Item 6) (Doc. B/2315/77)
Item 7)

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/2618/77)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/2619/77 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning
harmonisation of safety signs at the workplace *
(Doc. A/2258/1/77)

* Published in the Official Journal no. C 158 of 6.7.1977

185th SESSION

Monday/Tuesday, 11 and 12 July 1977 - Luxembourg
Jean Monnet Building, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr GORMLEY

Members of the Commission

Mr Roy JENKINS, President
Mr VREDELING, Vice-President
Mr BRUNNER
Mr DAVIGNON

Agenda

- 1) Problems of the coal market in relation to energy policy
- 2) Opinion of the Consultative Committee on the decision modifying the decisions relating to coal and coke
- 3) Steel problems :
 - a) Anticrisis measures
 - b) Development of the social situation
 - c) Consultation of the Consultative Committee on interest reductions
- 4) Statement by Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the Commission
- 5) Any other business

Documents submitted by the Commission

Item 2 : Draft Commission Decision (ECSC) amending Decision 3544/73/ECSC implementing Decision 73/287/ECSC concerning coking coal and coke (Doc. COM (77) 311 final)

Item 3 : Reconversion loans granted at reduced interest rates under Article 56 of the ECSC Treaty for investments which create alternative employment opportunities in areas affected by a decline in the activities of the coal or steel industries
(Doc. SEC (77) 2568)

Industrial loans at reduced rates which might be granted by the Commission of the European Communities under the first paragraph of Article 54 of the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community
(Doc. SEC (77) 2569)

Document submitted by
the Consultative
Committee

Item 1 : Draft resolution of the Consultative Committee regarding the coal market
(Doc. A/2804/77 + memorandum)

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/2924/77)
Analytical Record (Doc. A/2923/77 + corrigendum)

Document compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee regarding the coal market*
(Doc. A/2804/1/77)

* Published in the Official Journal no C 202 of 24.8.1977

c) SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

- 6 October 1976 - Subcommittee for Research Projects
- 16 November 1976 - Subcommittee for Labour Problems
- 14 December 1976 - Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
- 15 December 1976 - Subcommittee for Research Projects
- 3 March 1977 - Subcommittee for Labour Problems
- 7 March 1977 - Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
- 11 March 1977 - Subcommittee for General Objectives
- 16 March 1977 - Subcommittee for Research Projects
- 31 May 1977 - Subcommittee for Labour Problems
- 3 June 1977 - Subcommittee for General Objectives

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR GENERAL OBJECTIVES

In the Chair

Mr REINTGES

Terms of reference

- a) Examination of the position of the Community's coal industry
- b) General situation in the coal market in 1976 - Outlook for 1977
- c) Regional policy : Conversion aids in coal and steel areas
- d) The Commission's financial activities in respect to investments in 1976 (2 meetings)
- e) Consideration of a verbal statement on a decision regarding coking coal for the Community iron and steel industry
- f) Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) concerning Community aid for financing cyclical stocks of hard coal, coke and patent fuel

Meetings

11 March 1977 (Record - B/1299/77 + corrigendum)
3 June 1977 (Record B/2316/77 + corrigendum)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR MARKETS AND PRICES

In the Chair

Mr PICARD

Terms of reference

- a) Forward Programme for Steel for the first quarter of 1977, in conjunction with the possible application of the anti-crisis plan for steel
- b) Examination of the Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd quarter of 1977
- c) Examination of the General Situation of the Coal Market in 1976 - Outlook for 1977
- d) Examination of the proposal for a Council Regulation on Community financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation

Meetings

14 December 1976 (Record B/4634/76 + corrigendum)
7 March 1977 (Record B/1148/77 + corrigendum)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR LABOUR PROBLEMS

In the Chair

Mr NICKELS

Terms of Reference

- a) Examination of the Commission proposal on safety information at the workplace. (2 meetings)
- b) Examination of the 13th Annual Report (1975) of the Mines Safety and Health Commission, with its annexes
- c) Regional Policy : conversion aids in coal and steel areas
- d) Examination of the 7th (1975) and 8th (1976) Annual Reports of the Steel Industry Safety and Health Commission
- e) Examination of ECSC readaptation aids (bilateral agreements)

Meetings

16 November 1976 (Record B/4209/76 + corrigendum)
3 March 1977 (Record B/1088/77 + corrigendum)
31 May 1977 (Record B/2315/77 + corrigendum)

Document compiled

- a) Draft resolution of the Consultative Committee drawn up by Mr SHEPHARD
(Doc. A/4293/76)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

In the Chair

Mr DE LA VALLEE POUSSIN

Terms of Reference

- a) Preparation of the consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 7 500 000 EUA, to a five year general research programme on "Safety in Mines"
- b) Preparation of the consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 18.1 million EUA, to two coal research projects : mining techniques and valorisation of coal
- c) Preparation of the consultation, in accordance with Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, on the advisability of granting financial aid from ECSC levies, to a total of 18 709 500 EUA (including 544 980 EUA for dissemination of information) to a steel research programme of 74 projects
- d) Verbal statement on the setting up of a fourth technical research programme in coal mines
- e) Showing of a film entitled "Industrial experiment on the use of lignite as a reducing agent"

Meetings

6 October 1976 (Record B/3663/76 + corrigendum)
15 December 1976 (Record B/4649/76 + corrigendum)
16 March 1977 (Record B/1322/77 + corrigendum)

d) MEETINGS OF CATEGORIES

16 March 1977	-	Workers' category
18 April 1977	-	Workers' category
19 April 1977	-	Consumers' category
15 June 1977	-	Workers' category
11 July 1977	-	Consumers' category
11 July 1977	-	Producers' category
11 July 1977	-	Workers' category

APPENDIX

PUBLICATIONS BY AND ON THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE IN THE
OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

15.7.1976 - 11.7.1977

Two Resolutions of the Consultative Committee on the proposal for a Council Directive on the harmonisation of the legal and administrative regulations of the Member States on the provision of safety information at the workplace.

C 295 of 14.12.1976

C 158 of 6.7.1977

Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning employment in the steel industry

C 3 of 6.1.1977

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the steel market situation

C 86 of 6.4.1977

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation

C 86 of 6.4.1977

Composition of the Bureau and the permanent subcommittees of the Consultative Committee for the business year 1976/1977

C 195 of 10.8.1976

Composition of the Consultative Committee after its renewal

C 69 of 19.3.1977

The nomination of :

- Mr Williams on the resignation of Mr Annetts (C 15 of 20.1.1977)
 - Mr Portanova on the resignation of Mr Barone (C 26 of 3.2.1977)
 - Mr Hooglandt on the resignation of Mr van Veelen (C 36 of 12.2.1977)
 - Mr Laurens on the death of Mr Marmasse (C 36 of 12.2.1977)
 - Mr Findlay on the resignation of Mr Howard (C 54 of 4.3.1977)
 - Mr Scholey on the resignation of Lord Layton (C 103 of 27.4.1977)
 - Mr Morris on the death of Mr Chandler (C 115 of 12.5.1977)
 - Mr Marsh on the resignation of Mr Tidd (C 180 of 8.7.1977)
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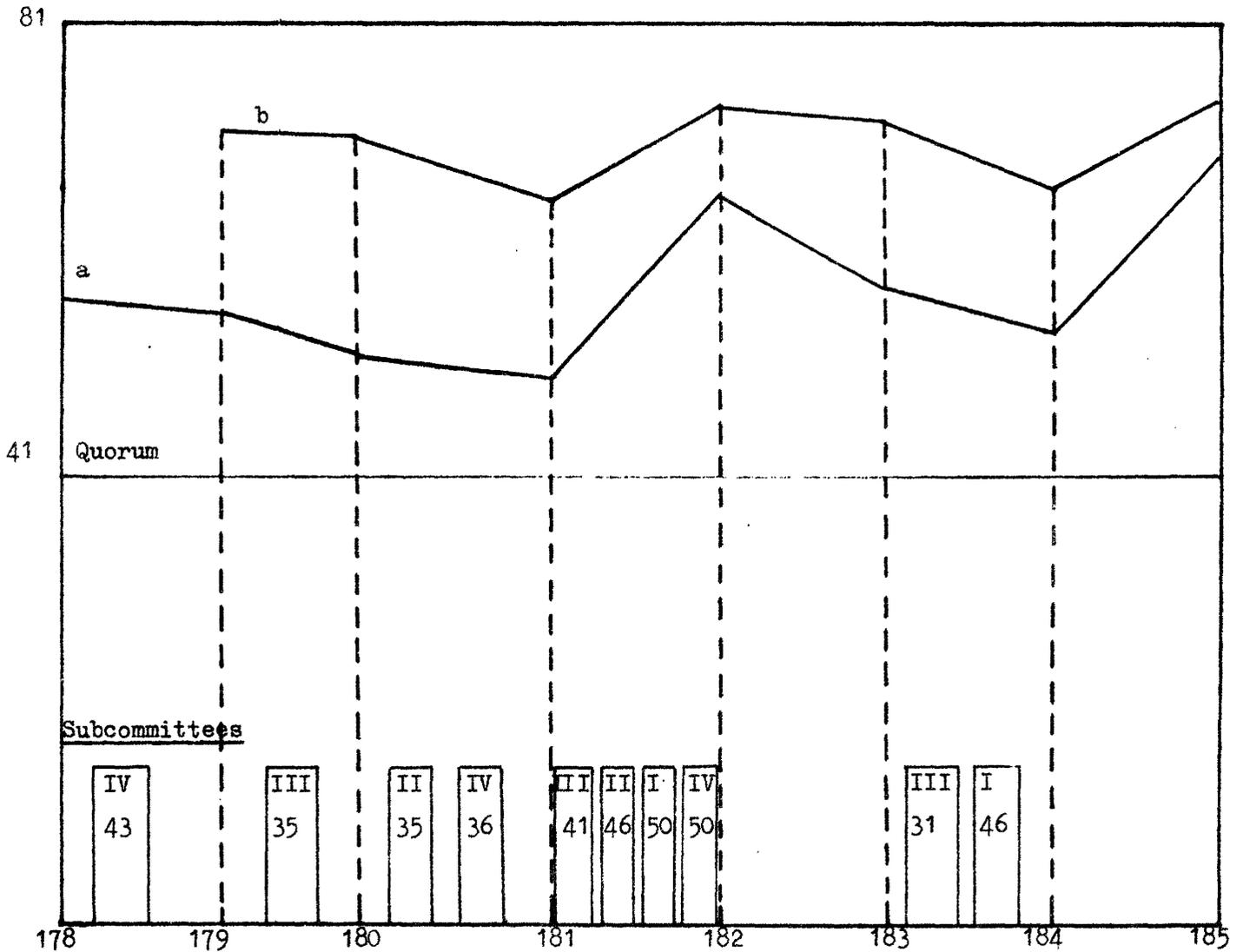
COMPOSITION OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

1976	Belgium	Denmark	Federal Republic of Germany	France	Ireland	Italy	Luxembourg	Netherlands	United Kingdom
Producers	Peeters		Bellingrodt Bund Lenhartz Reintges	Gardent Sore					Ezra Howard (6) Shepherd
	Steel	Thrane	Dichgans Krackow Spethmann	Ferry Varoquaux	P. Mortimer	Capanna Locatelli	Metz Robert	Van Veelen (5)	A. Mortimer Layton (7) Sambrook
Consumers	Coal		Becker Mandel Riedl	Picard Terrel	Chandler(2)	Bobbio	Ackermann	Beems	Clark Jenkins Thomas
	Steel	Harne	Heumüller Hoffmann E. Jung	Imbert Marmasse(1) Sauvy		Barone (4) Gioia		Wijnands	Ann t,s (3) Hamet Tidd (8)
Workers	Coal		Alker Gelhorn Nickels	Bergamini Rigaud				Bosch	Daly Goreley Wormald
	Steel	Møller	Judith Mayr	Valli Wille		Bon Fernex Guttadauro	Weiss	De Graaf	Linton Sire Smith
	Organisation		V. Jung		Donegan				

- 1) Died 31.10.1976, replaced by Mr Laurens 12.1.77
- 2) Died 8.12.1976, replaced by Mr Morris 12.5.1977
- 3) Replaced by Mr Williams 20.1.1977
- 4) Replaced by Mr Portanova 3.2.1977
- 5) Replaced by Mr Hooglandt 12.2.1977
- 6) Replaced by Mr Findlay 4.3.1977
- 7) Replaced by Mr Scholey 27.4.1977
- 8) Replaced by Mr Marsh 8.7.1977

Bureau : Messrs Gormley, President
 Capanna, Vice-President
 Picard, Vice-President
 Chandler, Member (2)
 Gelhorn, Member
 Møller, Member
 Peeters, Member
 Robert, Member
 Wijnands, Member

PARTICIPANTS AT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE SESSIONS
AND AT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS



Sessions (81 members)

Numbers indicate (a) members and (b) members and deputies

Subcommittees (36 members)

Numbers indicate members, other members of the Committee, deputies and technical advisers

- I = Subcommittee for General Objectives
- II = Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
- III = Subcommittee for Labour Problems
- IV = Subcommittee for Research Projects