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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF PAST AND FUTURE EVENTS

Next Council Meetings

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| Luxembourg | June 12 | Transport |
| | June 19 | Finance |
| | June 19/20/21 | Agriculture/Fisheries |
| | June 26/27 | Foreign Affairs |
| | June 29 | Social Affairs |

Other Events

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| Strasbourg | June 12 - 16 | European Parliament |
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Provisional Dates Further Ahead

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| European Council (summit) | July 6 + 7 | (Bremen) |
| Industrial World Economic Summit | July 16/17 | (Bonn) |
| Budget Council: | July 18 | |
| Finance Council: | July 24 | |
| ACP/EEC Council: | July 24 | |
| Foreign Affairs Council: | July 25 | |
| Agriculture Council: | July 24/25 | |
| European Parliament: | July 3 - 7 | (Luxembourg) |

FLASHBACK

STEEL: Viscount Davignon, Commissioner in charge of industrial affairs, has announced a series of decisions made by the Commission in its meeting of June 7th and intended to reinforce measures to deal with the crisis in Europe's steel industry. These included machinery for punishing more rapidly producers who do not respect the minimum prices fixed by the Commission. Due to the existing surplus of steel production will be cut back during the third quarter of 1978.

EEC-AUSTRALIA: Mr Vic Garland, Australia's special trade representative, has begun a visit to the Commission. He had talks with Dr Guido Brunner, Commissioner in charge of energy policy, on Australia's role as a potential supplier of uranium to the Community.

EIB LOAN TO BRITAIN: The European Investment Bank has made a loan of £5m. for a modernisation project at BICC metals, Merseyside.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL: M. Claude Cheysson, Commissioner in charge of aid and development, spoke of the negotiation of a new agreement between the EEC and the African, Caribbean and Pacific signatories of the Lome Convention. These negotiations are likely to open formally in July with a final ministerial session at the end of October/beginning of November so that the agreement can be signed in April 1979 and put into effect on March 31st, 1980.

ACETIC ACID VINEGAR RULES -- OK?: The Commission has no plans for any regulations or directive affecting the use of vinegar derived from acetic acid. British eaters of fish and chips will continue to get their vinegar as usual.