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591st Council meeting

- Foreign Affairs -

Brussels, 24 July 1979

President:

Mr Michael O'KENNEDY,

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland



The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Hr Henri SIMONET

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Denmark:

Ir Niels ERSBØLL

State Secretary.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Germany:

IIr Otto SCHLECHT

State Secretary,

Federal Ministry of Foreign

Affairs

France:

LIr Pierre BERNARD-REYMOND

State Secretary,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ireland:

Mr Michael O'KENNEDY

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Er David ANDREWS

Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Hr Ray BURKE

Minister of State.

Ministry of Industry, Commerce

and Energy

Italy:

Er Adolfo BATTAGLIA

Deputy State Secretary,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Luxembourg

Mr Gaston THORN

Vice-President of the Government,

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Netherlands :

Hr C.A. van der KLAAUW

Mr D.F. van der MEI

Minister for Foreign Affairs

State Secretary for Foreign

Affairs

United Kingdom:

Lord CARRINGTON

Sir Ian GILMOUR

Fr Cecil PARKINSON

Secretary of State for Foreign

and Commonwealth Affairs

Lord Privy Seal

Minister of State, Department of Trade

Commission:

Mr Roy JENKINS

Ir Wilhelm HAFERKAMP

Ilr Lorenzo NATALI

Ir Claude CHEYSSON

Mr Guido BRUNNER

Viscount Etienne DAVIGNON

Ir Christopher TUGENDHAT

President

Vice-President

Vice-President

Member

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APPOINTMENTS

In connection with the partial replacement of the Court of Justice, the Conference of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States appointed

- as Judges at the Court of Justice of the European Communities from 7 October 1979 to 6 October 1985 inclusive:

Mr Aindrias O'CAOIMH (renewal of term of office)
Mr Pierre PESCATORE (renewal of term of office)
Mr Ole DUE (see curriculum vitae annexed hereto)

- as Advocates-General at the Court of Justice of the European Communities from 7 October 1979 to 6 October 1985 inclusive:

Mr Gerhard REISCHL (renewal of term of office)
Mr Jean-Pierre WARNER (renewal of term of office)

FOUR-YEAR PROGRAMME FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF DATA PROCESSING IN THE COMMUNITY

The Council signified its agreement to a four-year Community programme to promote research, industrial development and applications of data processing. (1)

This programme will be in two main parts.

The first part will consist of general measures in the area of standardization, public procurement, co-operation between research centres and organizations supporting the use of data processing, training protection of individual privacy and of industrial property.

Within this framework careful study will be made of developments in data processing, taking account in particular of its influence on employment generally.

The second part will put into effect a Community support mechanism to promote co-operation between users on a Community scale, notably through the development of software and of applications with a view to greater standardization.

In addition, the Council, in a Resolution, expressed its interest in the promotion of micro-electronic technology at Community level.

⁽¹⁾ subject to informing and, if necessary, consulting Greece.

REGISTRATION OF CRUDE OIL AND PETROLEUM PRODUCT IMPORTS

The Council recorded its agreement (1) to a Regulation introducing registration in the European Communities for crude oil and/or petroleum product purchases. Under this Regulation importers of crude oil and/or petroleum products from third countries or the Member States have to inform the Member States concerned of details of their imports.

The Member States will then supply the Commission with information at regular intervals so as to give it a true picture of trends in import conditions under which the products have been imported; this information will be distributed to the Member States.

Information collected and forwarded will be confidential although this will not impede the publication of general or summary information which does not contain specific details relating to specific companies.

The actual implementing rules of registration will be covered in a further Regulation to be drawn up without delay. The Commission will lay down the detailed implementing arrangements later.

⁽¹⁾ With a provisional reservation from one delegation and provided that Greece was informed and, where appropriate, consulted.

The Council also noted that the Commission was conducting surveys together with the Member States on the import targets for each country between now and 1985.

The Council noted that the Commission is also considering, in conjunction with other oil consumer countries, the feasibility of a system of crude oil price certificates starting from the producer country.

SUPPLIES OF NUCLEAR FUEL FOR THE COMMUNITY

The Council heard a statement by the French State Secretary who presented a memorandum from the French Government on supplies of nuclear fuel for the Community (Chapter VI of the Euratom Treaty).

This memorandum will be examined together with the Commission's recent communication on the same subject.

ENERGY RESEARCH PROGRAMME

The Council recorded its agreement (1) on an energy research and development programme for the period 1979 to 1983.

The new four-year programme follows on from the one adopted in 1975 which has achieved positive and promising results. The programme consists of indirect projects, i.e. projects carried out under contract. The expenditure to be committed for the implementation of the programme has been fixed at 105 MEUA and the staff complement at 34, and this will be entered in the budget of the Communities.

The programme covers projects in the following areas:

- energy conservation
- production and use of hydrogen
- solar energy
- geothermal energy
- systems analysis and strategy studies in the energy field

⁽¹⁾ Subject to Greece being informed and, if necessary, consulted.

Even greater stress has been placed on solar energy and research into energy conservation than in the first programme since these two areas are thought to have particular potential in the search for ways to alleviate energy problems.

The amount allocated, which is considerably more than was allocated to the first programme, will enable several hundred research contracts to be concluded with laboratories, firms and research centres in the nine member countries.

The programme will be managed by the relevant departments of the Commission, assisted by national experts who will form five Advisory Committees on Programme Management (CCMGP).

"LA MARLIA" REPORT

The Council took note of a report from the Presidency on the main topics to be covered by the Council sitting other than as the General Affairs Council during the second half of 1979.

The Council held an exchange of views on this report.

CHINA - FIRST MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE

The Council heard a report by the Commission on the results of the first meeting of the Joint Committee set up under the EEC-China trade agreement of 3 April 1978, which was held in Peking from 17 to 19 July 1979.

The Council expressed satisfaction with the positive results achieved during that meeting.

RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL

The Council held an exchange of views on the subject of the adjustments which Portugal has requested in its present agreement with the Community. The Council noted that the Commission would continue making the necessary contacts to enable the Council to decide in September on a brief which would allow the Commission to start negotiations with Portugal on the adjustments in question.

ASEAN

Subsequent to his meeting with the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the ASEAN in Bali on 1 July 1979, the President of the Council referred to the importance which those countries attached to their relations with the Community and to their desire that negotiations for the conclusion of a co-operation agreement with the Community be started in the Autumn and completed by the end of the year. The President urged that the Council should agree to this request and he was supported in this by the Commission. It will be recalled that the Commission recently submitted its proposals for the opening of these negotiations to the Council.

GATT MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

The President of the Council drew the following conclusions:

The Council took note of the statement by the Commission on the most recent developments in the incorporation of the results of the multilateral trade negotiations in United States law, and welcomed the speedy passage by both Houses of the United States Congress of the Trade Bill.

At the same time the Council reaffirmed the importance it attached to a full and satisfactory implementation of the Tokyo Round results by all Parties. The Council agreed that in the autumn it would consider on the basis of a final report by the Commission the conclusion of the negotiations.

On the issue of safeguards, the Council took note of the Commission's intention of continuing its efforts in Geneva to find a solution.

CONCLUSIONS OF AND FOLLOW-UP TO THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON SOUTH-EAST ASIAN REFUGEES (20 and 21 JULY 1979)

1. The Council confirmed the undertakings made by the Community in Geneva regarding the provision of emergency food aid for refugees of South East Asia through the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

These undertakings are as follows:

- the provision of 20,000 tonnes of rice (in addition to the 8,000 tonnes already approved by the Council decision of 4 July 1979) to cover 50% of the needs of refugees in South-East Asia up to February 1980;
- the provision of 1,500 tonnes of vitaminized milk powder (in addition to the 1,500 tonnes already approved by the Council decision of 4 July 1979);
- the provision of 10 MEUA for the general programme of the UNHCR for refugees in South-East Asia;
- the allocation of 2,700 tonnes of rice for Cambodian refugees in Vietnam through the UNHCR.
- 2. The Council also decided to earmark a provisional appropriation of 4 MEUA for Cambodian refugees, in both Thailand and Cambodia, which would be implemented as and when the appropriate channelling could be arranged through international organizations.

- The Council invited the Permanent Representatives 3. Committee to make the necessary technical arrangements within the next few days.
- The Council agreed to re-examine the matter of 4. food aid to Vietnam at its September meeting in the light of the developments in this area in the intervening period.



OTHER DECISIONS

Commercial policy

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities

- a Decision opening supplementary quotas for imports into Italy of certain products originating in Romania
- Regulations
 - = on arrangements for the importation into the Benelux countries of jute yarn originating in India
 - = on the post-clearance recovery of import duties or export duties which have not been required of the person liable for payment on goods entered for a customs procedure involving the obligation to pay such duties
- a Directive on the harmonization of procedures for the release of goods for free circulation (lodging of customs entries).

Export credits

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision on the Community's position within the OECD regarding Community participation in the Understanding on Export Credits for Ships and amendments to that Understanding.

Research policy

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision on the conclusion of an Agreement on a concerted-action project in the field of the registration of congenital abnormalities (medical and public-health research).

Mediterranean policy

The Council recorded its agreement on two financing proposals for Mediterranean countries:

- Syria: supervision of work on the TALL TAMIR-QAMISHLY-TALL A'ALO road (proposal submitted by the Commission);
- Egypt: SHOUBRAH EL KHEIMA thermal power station project (proposal submitted by the EIB)

Technical barriers

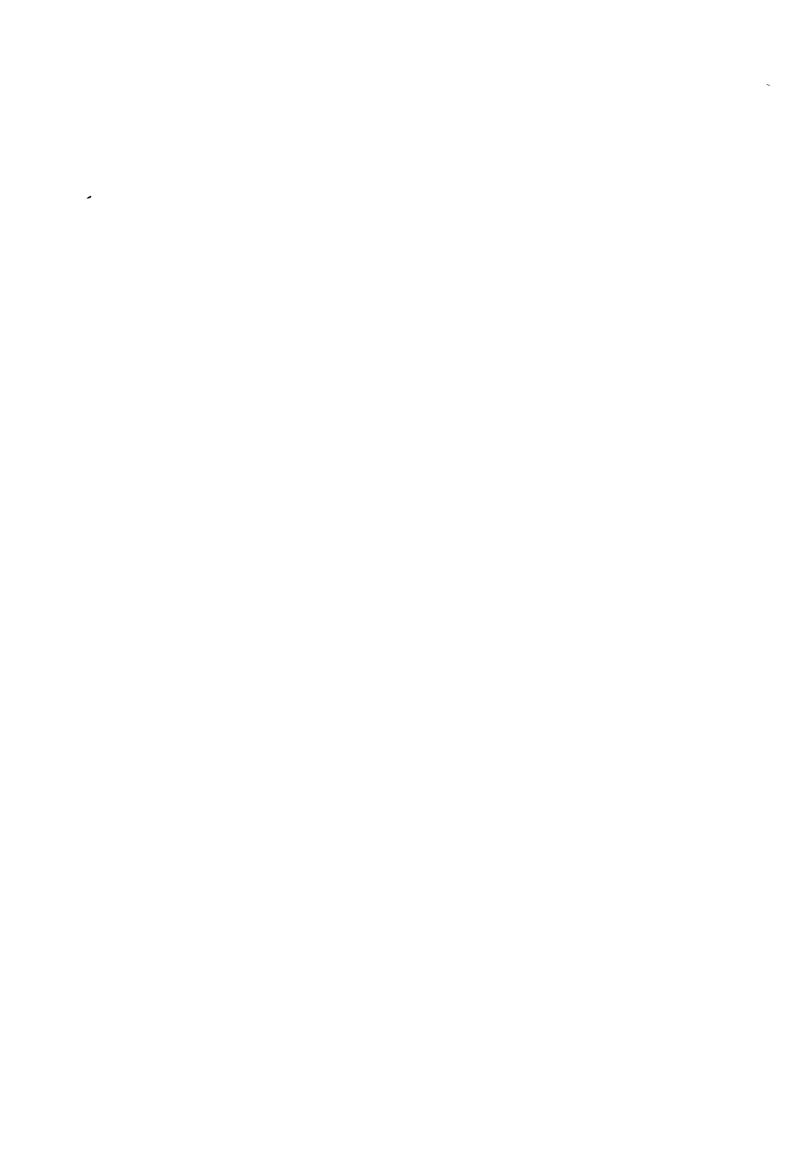
The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities

- the Directives
 - = on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the type-approval of wheeled agricultural or forestry tractors
 - = amending for the first time Directive 76/768/EEC of 27 July 1976 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products
 - = supplementing the annex to Directive 76/769/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to restrictions on the marketing and use of certain dangerous substances and preparations (extension of the list of bans)

Appointments

On a proposal from the Netherlands Government, the Council appointed Mr C.T.A.M. LEO as a member of the Economic and Social Committee to replace Mr Sj. JONKER, who has resigned, for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 18 September 1982.

On a proposal from the Confédération Française Democratique du Travail, the Council also appointed Mr Pierre ROBERT, National Secretary of the Fédération Générale de la Métallurgie CFDT, as a member of the Consultative Committee of the Economic and Social Committee to replace Mr G. GRANGER, who has resigned, for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 15 October 1980.



ANNEX

CURRICULUM VITAE

Mr Ole DUE

Born on 10 February 1931. 1955: Bachelor of Laws. In the same year appointed to Ministry for Justice, chief of section 1970, head of division 1975. 1978: Acting High Court Judge.

- 1962 72: Secretary and later Chairman of Committee on Amendments to Danish Law in preparation for Denmark's accession to the European Communities.
- 1970 72: Permanent delegate to meetings on technical adjustments to Community provisions with a view to enlargement of the European Communities and on the preparation of legal provisions in the accession treaties, etc.
- 1964 76: Member of the Danish delegation at The Hague Conference on Private International Law.
- 1964 73: Course leader and teacher at further training seminars in Community law organized by the Banish Law Association, Denmark's Administrative High School and the Bar Council.



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CORRIGENDUM

to Press Release 8414/79 (Presse 91) of 24.VII.79

On page 13:

CONCLUSIONS OF AND FOLLOW-UP TO THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON SOUTH-EAST ASIAN REFUGEES (20/21 JULY 1979)

Read point 2. as follows:

2. The Council also decided to earmark for Cambodia - as regards both the populations expelled by Thailand and those remaining in Cambodia - an appropriation of 4 MEUA to be implemented as and when the appropriate channelling could be arranged through international organizations.



BIO (79)248 AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX CC AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE, A M. BURGHARDT, DG I ET A M. LECOMTE, DG VIII

B CONSEIL AFFAIRES ETRANGERES DU MARDI 24 JUILLET 1979 BEE BEESY

GATT - NEGOCIATIONS COMMERCIALES MULTILATERALES (J. CARROLL)

LE VICE-PRESIDENT HAFERKAMP FERA UN BREF RAPPORT ORAL AU CONSEIL SUR LA SITUATION ACTUELLE CONCERNANT LES RESULTS DES REGOCIATIONS ET LA MISE EN OEUVRE DES RESULTATS PAR NOS PARTENAIRES, NOTAMMENT LES ETATS-UNIS. ON DOIT PREMICCISER GUBIL NE S'AGIT PAS A CE STADE DU RAPPORT FINAL DE LA COMMISSION

AU CONSEIL SUR LE RESULTAT DES NEGOCIATIONS. LE RAPPORT FINAL ME SERA SOUMIS AU CONSEIL QU'A LA FIN DU MOIS DE SEPTEMBRE OU AU DEBUT D'OCTOBRE ACCOMPAGNE DES PROJETS DE REGLEMENTS ET DIRECTIVES VISANT LA MISE EN OEUVRE AU NIVEAU COMMUNAUTAIRE DES DIFFERENTS CODES RELATIFS AUX MESURES NON-TARIFAIRES.

DIS. POUR LE CONSEIL DU 24 JUILLET ON S'ATTEND A CE QUE LES

PERTURBATION DU MARCHE UN PAYS IMPORTATEUR PEUT PRENDRE DES MESURES DE SAUVEGARDE D'UNE FACON SELECTIVE SANS CONSULTATION PREALABLE CONTRE LES IMPORTATIONS RESPONSABLES POUR LA PERTURBATION FIN DIS.

RELATIONS ACP-CEE (H. FERRATON)

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LE CONSEIL FERA LE POINT DE L'ETAT ACTUEL DES TRAVAUX DES DEUX CO-SECRETARIATS SUR LA MISE AU POINT DU TEXTE DEFINITIF ET LES PERSPECTIVES DE CALENDRIER POUR LA SIGNATURE DE LA NOUVELLE CONVENTION.

AMENAGEMENT DE L'ACCORD CEE-PORTUGAL DE 1972 (B.CHEVALLARD)

LE CONSEIL EST ESAISI DE LA PROPOSITION DE MANDAT DE NEGOCIA-TION DE LA COMMISSION POUR L'AMENAGEMENT DE L'AÇCORD CEE-

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MV/md

M. SINTARELLI

le 20.7.79

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PORTUGAL DE 19782.

JE VOUS RAPPELLE QUE LA COMMISSION AVAIT PROPOSE DES AMENAGEMENTS A CET ACCORD POUR TENIR COMPTE DES DEMANDES PRORTUGAISES
ET DANS LA PERSPECTIVE DE L'ADHESION DE CE PARYS A LA COMMUNAUTE
LE CONSEIL DELIBERERA NOTAMMENT SUR LE PROBLEME QUEEND POSE À
LA COMMUNAUTE LA DEFINITION DU REGIME A L'IMPORTATION AU
PORTUGAL DES PIECES DETACHEMES DE VOITURE.

LA COMMISSION ATTACHE DE L'IMPORTANCE A CE QUE LES NEGOCIATIONS AVEC LE PORTUGAL PUISSENT S'OUVRIR RAPIDEMENT.

CHINE (M. VASEY)

LA COMMISSION FERA RAPPORT SUR LE DERQULEMENT DE LA PREMIÈRE REUNION DE LA COMMISSION MIXTE CEE-CHINE A PEKIN, AINSI QUE SUR LE PARAPHE D'UN ACCORD TEXTILE (VOIR BIO(79) 243 DU 18.7.79 BERRE AINSI QUE LE TEXTE DE LA MELARATION A LA PRESSE QUE VOUS RECEVREZ PAR COURRIER RESERVE DE LA MELARATION A LA PRESSE QUE VOUS RECEVREZ PAR COURRIER RESERVE DE LA CORD TEXTILE SUR LEQUEL LA FRANCE MAINTIBET UNE RESERVE SERA SOUNIS AU CONSEIL POUR APPROBATION ULTERIEUREMENT. (CORRIGENDUM: LIBREMAINTIENT).

RESULTATS ET SUITE DE LA CONFERENCE DE GENEVE SUR LES REFUGIES DU SUD-EST ASIATIQUE (H. FERRATON).

(VOIR BID(79) 222 DU #4.7.79 ET BIO(79) 241 DU 17.7.79).

AMITIES,

M. SANTARELLI COMEUR 17.00 NNNN

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NOTE BIO(79)248 (SUITE 1) AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX
CC. AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE, A M. BURGHARDT DG I ET A M. LECOMTE,
DG VIII
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SUBJECT: FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL (ROBERT ELPHICK)

THE COUNCIL STARTED THIS MORNING AT 10.00 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE IRISH FOREIGN MINISTER, MR MICHAEL O'KENNEDY.
THE COUNCIL FINALLY AGREED ON A FRAMEWORK REGULATION SETTING UP
THE REGISTER OF ALL OIL IMPORT TRANSACTIONS INTO THE COMMUNITY.
THE AIM IS TO FOLLOW UP THE DECISIONS IN PRINCIPLE TAKEN AT THE
EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN STRASBURG AND AT THE TOKYO SUMMIT OF INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO MAKE OIL MARKETS MORE
TRANSPARENT. SOME DELEGATIONS HAVE, HOWEVER, MADE IT CLEAR THAT
IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO BIND THEMSELVES IN TOO MUCH DETAIL
BEFORE THE INTENTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN (THE OTHER
MAJOR WORLD IMPORTERS) ARE KNOWN. AN IMPLEMENTING REGULATION WILL
THEREFORE HAVE TO BE ADOPTED LATER IN THE AUTOMN. LORD CARRINGTON
(UK) SAID HE WOULD ACCEPT THE FRAMEWORK REGULATION BUT HE WOULD
HAVE TO PUT A PARLIAMENTARY RESERVE ON IT SINCE THIS HAD NOT
YET BEEN DEBATED AT WESTMINSTER.

FOR THE COMMISSION, MR GUIDO BRUNNER EMPHASISED THE IMPORTANCE OF INTRODUCING THE REGISTRATION OF TRANSACUTIONS AND SAID THE COMMISSION WOULD HAVE PREFERRED SPEEDIER PROGRESS. HE HOPED THE COUNCIL WOULD ADOPT THE DETAILED SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATION IN SEPTEMBER OUR OCTOBER. THE COMMISSION MEANWHILE WILL CONTINUE STUDIES WITH A VIEW OTO FIXING NATIONAL IMPORT OBJECTIVES UP TO 1985, AS WELL AS CONSULTATIONS WITH PRODUCING COUNTRIES TO SEE WHETHER IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE TO INTRODUCE CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN WITH PRICES.

THE COMMISSION PRESIDENT, MR ROY JENKINS, POINTED OUT IN ANSWER TO AN INTERVENTION FROM THE NETHERLANDS' DELEGATE THAT THE TOKYO DECLARATION IN NO WAY MOVED AWAY FROM THE DECISION TAKEN AT STRASBURG. THE COMMUNITY COMMITMENT WAS TO BLIMIT IMPORTS UP TO 1985 AT THE 1978 LEVEL OF 470 MILLION TONNES. MEMBER STATES PRESENT AT TOKYO HAD SAID THEYCHOULD ACCEPT NATIONAL LIMITS. IT WAS NOW FOR BURBER MEMBER STATES NOT PRESENT AT TOKYO TO SEE IF THEY BESCOULD ACCEPT NATIONAL BURBERSHEED OBJECTIVES. THE 470 MILLION TONNES LIMIT REMAINED INTACT.

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******* NOTE BIO(79)248 (SUITE 2) AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX CC. AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE, A M. BURGHARDT, DG I ET A M. LECOMTE, DG VIII *******

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL - RESEARCH ON NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY (ROBERT ELPHICK)

THE COUNCIL DECIDED TOO ON A NEW FOUR YEAR PROGRAMME FOR COMMU-NITY RESEARCH INTO NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY. THE DECISION WAS THE NOT MADE WITHOUT TRAVAIL BECAUSE OF OBJECTIONS FROM THE NETHER-LANDS' DELEGATION ABOUT THE PROPRIETY OF A COUNCIL DECISION ON A SUBJECT WHICH IS A NON OBLIGATORY EXPENDITURE IN THE BUDGET. IN THE END THE COUNCIL AGREED THAT THE EXPENDITURE SHOULD BE "'ESTABLISHED" (IF NOT ''FIMEXED") AT 105 MUCE. THE COMMISSION SUPPORTED BY THE PARLIAMENT HAD PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF 125 MUCE. THIS EXPENDITURE NOW ESTABLISHED, BREAKS DOWN AS FOLLOWS : ENERGY SAVING 27 MUCE; PRODUCTION AND UTILISATION OF HYDROGEN 8 MUCE; SOLAR ENERGY 46 MUCE; GEOTHERMAL ENERGY 18 MUCE; ENERGY SYSTEMS ANALYSIS AND STRATEGY STUDIES 6 MUCE. THE NEWWEBBREBBE PROGRAMME WAS DUE TO START ALREADY ON 1 JULY AND TO CONTINUE UNTIL JUNE 1983. (SEE OUR P-NOTE 83 OF JULY 1978. A SECOND, UPDATED, NOTE WILL BE SENT IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS).

EURATOM TREATY - CHAPTER SIX

AS LONG EXPECTED THE FRENCH DELEGATION HAVE JUST DEPOSITED ON THE COUNCIL TABLE THEIR PAPER PROPOSING A MODIFICATION OF BEE BREEFERSE BEREEFERS BREEFERS BREEFERS PROVISIONS OF THE EURATOM TREATY IN ORDER, AS THE FRENCH DELEGATION PUT IT, TO BRING THE TREATY INTO LINE WITH MODERN REALITIES. BTHIS IS THE CHAPTER DEALING WITH SUPPLY OF URANIUM FOR THE COMMUNITY AND SETTING UP THE SUPPLY AGENCY WITH MONOPOLY POWERS. THE ORIGINAL TREATY TEXT PROVIDED FOR ITS CONFIRMATION OR REVISION WITHIN SEVEN YEARS OF COMING INTO FORCE. THIS WAS NEVER DONE IN SPITE OF COMMISSION PROPOSALS IN 1964 AND 1970. THE COUNCIL HAD ALSO BEFORE IT A NEW PAPER FROM THE COMMISSION ON CHAPTER SIX DEALING WITH THE ROLE OF THE SUPPLY AGENCY IN NORMAL TIMES, IN TIMES OF SHORTAGE AND ALSO WITH THE SUBJECT OF INVESTMENTS. THE COMMIS-SION S VIEW IS THAT EXAMINATION OF THE CHAPTER SIX REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MADE ON THE LEGAL BASIS OF 1. REVISION OF CHAPTER SIX, 2. CONFIRMATION OF CHAPTER SIX, 3. INTERPRETATION.

THE COUNCIL TODAY DID NOT ATTEMPT TO GO INTO DETAILS OF THE PRO-BBLEMS RAISED. THIS WAS HANDED TO COREPER WHO HAVE THE TASK OF EXAMINING IT IN ALL ITS ASPECTS WITH A VIEW TO BRINGING A ////

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PROPOSAL BEFORE THE COUNCIL BY THE END OF THE YEAR. FOR BELGIUM, MR VAN DER MEULEN, WHO HELPED DRAFT THE ORIGINAL TREATY PROVISIONS IN 1957, POINTED OUT THAT WHAT FRANCE WAS DEMANDING AMOUNTED TO A REVISION OF THE TREATY. CHAPTER SIX HAD GIVEN THE DRAFTERS THE GREATEST DIFFICULTIES. ANY REVISION WOULD BE EQUALLY DIFFICULT.

REGARDS, FOR M. SANTARELLI ROBERT ELPHICK COMEUR NNNN

Bruxelles, le 24 juillet 1979.

Note BIO (79) 248 (suite 3) aux Bureaux Nationaux cc aux Membres du Groupe, a M. Burghardt DG I et a M. Lecomte DG VIII

Objet : CONSEIL AFFAIRES GENERALES

GATT - NEGOCIATIONS COMMERCIALES MULTILATERALES (J. Carroll)

M. Haferkamp a fait un bref rapport oral sur la situation concernant les resultats des negociations. Il a precise que le rapport final de la Commission sera soumis le mois de septembre pour l'approbation formelle du Conseil en octobre. En ce qui concerne les discussions sur la clause de sauvegarde, M. Haferkamp a constate que la Commission n'a pas encore pu parvenir a une solution satisfaisante avec les pays en voie de developpement. Neanmoins, la Commission poursuivra ces conversations d'ici le mois de septembre et informera le Conseil sur les resultats lors du rapport final.

En ce qui concerne l'approbation des resultats des NCM par le Senat americain, M. Haferkamp a exprime la satisfaction de la Commission tant sur l'importance de la majorite des voix que sur le contenu de la legislation qui parait positif pour la Communaute.

Enfin, le Conseil a constate que la reserve italienne sur la concession tarifaire de la Communaute vis-a-vis des raisins de table en provenance des Etats-Unis a ete levee moyennant un texte de compromis formule par la Commission.

CHINE (M. Vasey)

M. Haferkamp a fait un rapport oral sur la premiere reunion de la Commission mixte CEE/Chine, qui s'est deroulee d'une maniere tres satisfaisante a Pekin la semaine derniere. Les deux parties ont examine l'evolution des echanges. La Communaute a fait valoir que la Chine beneficiera des reductions tarifaires decidees dans le cadre du GATT ainsi que d'un systeme de preferences generalisees. En plus, elle a pu annoncer un certain nombre de mesures de liberalisation ou d'augmentation de contingents a l'egard de la Chine. Cette derniere a donne des indications sur les perspectives de modernisation de l'economie chinoise et elle a explique comment elle entend appliquer le principe de la "consideration favorable" prevu par l'accord pour les exportateurs communautaires. Le chef de la delegation communautaire, M. Roy Denmann, a ete recu par le Vice premier ministre Ku Mu. L'accord sur le commerce des produits textiles, qui a ete paraphe en marge de la Commission mixte, n'a pas ete evoque, la delegation francaise ayant leve sa reserve au niveau du Coreper.

YOUGOSLAVIE (M. Vasey)

M. Haferkamp a fait une declaration sur l'etat des negociations avec la Yougoslavie. Il a indique que si ce pays accepte les orientations de base de la position communautaire, les positions restent assez divergentes quant au probleme de l'acces au marche communautaire pour les exportations yougoslaves. Pour que la Yougoslavie puisse conclure un accord avec la Communaute, il faut que l'offre communautaire soit amelioree. M. Haferkamp a annonce que la Commission soumettra de nouvelles propositions en septembre et il a fait appel aux delegations pour qu'elles les examinent conformement a leur declaration politique.

ASEAN (M. Vasey)

Le President Kennedy a informe le Conseil de ce que plusieurs ministres des pays de l'ASEAN avaient profite de sa participation a la reunion de Bali, debut juillet, au sujet des refugies du Vietnam, pour lui dire l'importance qu'ils attachent a la conclusion d'un accord avec la Communaute. Le President a invite le Conseil a examiner le projet de mandat soumis par la Commission dans un esprit positif.

M. Santarelli. Comeur. 20hl0.

Bruxelles, le 25 juillet 1979

Note BIO (79) 248 (suite 4 et fin) aux Bureaux nationaux cc aux Membres du Groupe,

a M. Burghardt, DG I et M. Lecomte, DG VIII.

Objet : Conseil affaires generales

PORTUGAL (G. Chevallard)

Le Conseil a eu un echange de vues sur le probleme de pieces detachees voitures dans le cadre de l'amenagement de l'accord commercial avec le Portugal. M. Natali a souligne l'urgence de l'adoption du mandat de negociation. Les concessions demandees par le Portugal pour le secteur automobile s'inscrivent dans un plan de restructuration de l'industrie automobile portugaise, plan qui permettra une meilleure insertion du Portugal dans l'economie communautaire. M. Natali a souligne qu'il s'agissait de trouver une solution equitable entre les industries deja presentes sur le marche portugais et la firme qui veut effectuer les investissements.

DIS. La firme Renault en voulant effectuer un grand investissement demande que la quasi entierete du contingent pieces detachees voitures lui soit attribuee. FIN DIS.

Le Conseil n'a pas ete en mesure d'adopter le mandat de negociation. Les positions se sont toutefois rapprochees sur la base d'une hypothese de travail avancee par la Commission consistant a prendre comme base de depart du contingent pieces detachees voitures, la repartition par marque de 1979 augmentee d'un contingent complementaire qui augmenterait sur une base annuelle. La Commission a ete chargee de poursuivre ses contacts avec le Portegal pour presenter sur cette base des propositions precises au cours du mois de septembre.

BULGARIE - PREFERENCES GENERALISEES (G. Chevallard)

M. Haferkamp a illustre les raisons pour lesquelles la Commission a exclus la Bulgarie, malgre sa demande, du schema des preferences generalisees pour 1980. Il a souligne que la Commission poursuit ses reflexions en vue de l'inclusion eventuelle de la Bulgarie dans le schema des preferences generalisees a partir de 1981, date a laquelle aura lieu une revision de ce schema. Apres un tour de table, le Conseil est convenu d'adresser a la Bulgarie une reponse signifiant que la Communaute etudie avec un esprit ouvert les arrangements pour inclure la Bulgarie dans les preferences generalisees a partir de 1981.

Voici le texte du communique final du Conseil :

Conclusions of and follow-up to the Geneva Conference on South-East Asian Refugees (20 and 21 July 1979)

"1. The Council confirmed the undertakings made by the Community in Geneva regarding the provision of emergency food aid in favour of the refugees of South East Asia through the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

These undertakings are as follows:

- the provision of 20.000 t of rice (which are in addition to the 8.000 t already approved by the Council decision of 4 July 1979) covering 50 % of the needs, up to February 1980, for refugees in South East Asia
- the provision of 1.500 t of vitaminized milk powder (which are in addition to the 1.500 t already approved by the Council decision of 4 July 1979)
- the provision of 10 MEUA for the general programme of the UNHCR for refugees in South-East Asia
- the allocation of 2.700 t of rice to Cambodia refugees in Vietnam through the UNHCR
- 2. The Council also decided to earmark a provisional credit of 4 MEAU in favour of Cambodian refugees both in Vietnam an those remaining in Cambodia, which would be implemented as and when the appropriate channellling can be assured through international organisations.
- 3. The Council invited the Committee of Permanent Representatives to put the necessary technical arrangements into effect within the next few days.
- 4. Furthermore the Council agreed to reexamine the matter of food aid to Vietnam at its September meeting in the light of the developpements in this area ut to there".

 L'aide alimentaire au Vietnam pour 1979 n'a donc pas ete executee; des que l'on disposera du rapport du Secretaire General des Nations Unies sur la mise en oeuvre des dispositions prevues concernant l'organisation de "departs ordonnes" (autorites vietnamiennes et Haut Commissariat des Nations Unies pour les refugies), la Commission fera toutes propositions utiles au Conseil (le rapport de M. Waldheim pourrait etre etabli dans la lere quinzaine d'octobre) pour la reconstitution voire l'augmentation de l'aide alimentaire 1979 au Vietnam.

Amities,
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