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ENVOY ARRIVES TO HEAD FIRST PERMANENT COMMON MARKET

DELEGATION TO UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 15 -- Aldo Maria Mazio, former Italian ambassador to Belgium, will arrive in Washington Monday, October 18, to become head of the first permanent Common Market delegation to the United States.

The Community has maintained an information services office here since 1954 and a "liaison office" since 1967. The official delegation has been created "to strengthen United States-European Community ties," according to the Commission.

Dr. Mazio was born in Rome in 1907. After his graduation from the University of Rome, he was a research fellow in political science at Yale University. He entered the Italian diplomatic service in 1932 and served as First Secretary at the Italian Embassy in Washington and later as Consul General in New York. Subsequently he has been Ambassador to Dublin, Tunis, the Hague, and, since 1965, Ambassador to Brussels.

Ambassador Mazio is married to Augusta Cantu, the daughter of Admiral Cantu who was Italian Commissioner at the New York World's Fair in 1939. They have three children.

The Commission currently has delegations to the United Kingdom in London, to the international organizations in Geneva, to the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris, and to Latin America in Santiago de Chile.

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