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EC LEGISLATORS ARRIVE SUNDAY FOR TALKS WITH US CONGRESS AND OFFICIALS

WASHINGTON -- September 10 -- A delegation from the European Parliament arrives in Washington Sunday for the second round of three-day talks this year with their American counterparts and for meetings with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and other US officials.

The 14-member group will be led initially by Acting President of the EP delegation Pierre-Bernard Cousté. Georges Spénale, the Parliament's President, will take over when he arrives Tuesday, following the expected signing in Brussels of a convention providing for election of the Parliament's members by direct universal suffrage (see Background Note 39).

A list of EP delegation members and biographical sketches is annexed to this release.

On the American side, the visit was organized by Representative Donald M. Fraser (D-Minn.), chairman of the House Subcommittee on International Organizations, subcommittee members Representative Benjamin S. Rosenthal (D-NY), and Representative Paul Findley (R-Ill.), and by Representative Sam Gibbons (D-Fla.), member of the Ways and Means Committee.

The first official EC-US parliamentary exchange took place in January 1972, when Congressmen went to Luxembourg, site of the European Parliament's Secretariat. The exchange now occurs twice a year, with one meeting on each side of the Atlantic.

The last exchange took place on April 21-23 in Dublin.

Topics of Discussion

A major topic on the agenda will be a discussion of ways the European Community and the United States could, through their political and economic relations with other countries, promote democratic development and respect for human rights. US and European foreign policies of the past will be examined to see what lessons they hold for the future. The legislators will also debate whether the principle of non-interference in other countries' internal affairs should preclude any serious attempts to foster democratic development and respect for human rights.

A "Draft Code of Principles on Multinational Enterprises and Governments" will also be reviewed. This code, presented and amended at the April meetings in Dublin, was the outgrowth of previous discussions between the US and the EC legislators.

Other Appointments

The Europeans are scheduled to meet with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, Speaker of the House Carl Albert (D-Okla.), President of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations George Meany, President of the US Chamber of Commerce Richard Leshner, Secretary of Commerce Elliot L. Richardson (or, in his absence, Under Secretary of Commerce Edward Vetter), Deputy Secretary of the Treasury George H. Dixon, Treasury Under Secretary for Monetary Affairs Edwin Yeo, Treasury Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Gerald Parsky, Chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers Alan Greenspan, and Ambassador Clayton Yeutter, Deputy Special Representative for Trade Negotiations.

Visit to Illinois

On September 23, members of the EC delegation will fly to Springfield, Illinois, where they will attend a reception given by Governor Daniel Walker. On September 24, the Europeans will attend a banquet, to be addressed by President Gerald R. Ford, given by the Illinois Press Association. The EC delegation will return to Europe on September 25th.

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT DELEGATION

Goerge SPENALE

President of the European Parliament
 Member of the Socialist Group

- Born November 29, 1913, in Carcassone, France
- Licencié en droit. Graduate of Ecole Nationale de la France d'Outre-Mer
- Member of the French National Assembly since 1962
- Governor of French Overseas Departments
- Conseiller general of Tarn department since 1964
- Principal Private Secretary to Gaston Defferre, Minister of French Overseas Departments, 1956-57
- High Commissioner of France for Independent Republic of Togo 1957-60
- Mayor of Saint-Sulpice (Tarn) since 1965

Pierre-Bernard COUSTE

Acting President of the European Parliament delegation
 Former Vice President of the European Parliament
 Member of the Committees on Economic and Monetary Affairs, External Economic Relations, and the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Turkey Association
 Group of European Progressive Democrats

- Born June 29, 1920, in Rochefort-sur-Mer, France
- Doctor of Law
- Company Director
- National Chairman of Centre des Jeunes Patrons 1958-61
- Member of the National Assembly since 1962
- Chairman of Federation des Jeunes Chefs d'Entreprises d'Europe 1961-64
- Managing Director of Societe Lumiere
- Chairman of Rhone-Loire Committee of Foreign Trade Advisers
- Allied to the Union des Democratres pour la Republique (UDR)

James SCOTT-HOPKINS

Vice Chairman of the Committee on External Economic Relations
 Member of the Political Affairs Committee, and the Committee on Agriculture
 Vice Chairman of the European Conservative Group

- Born November 29, 1921, in London, United Kingdom
- Educated Eton and Oxford
- Marketing Consultant
- Regular Army commission, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry until 1949 when he retired from the Army and became a farmer
- Member of the N. F. U. and the Institute of Directors
- Member of Parliament for North Cornwall 1959-66, and for Derbyshire West since 1967

- Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food 1962-64
- Joint Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

Gerard BORDU

Vice President of the European Parliament
 Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
 Member of the Communist and Allies Group

- Born April 21, 1928, in Melun, France
- Certificat d'Aptitude Professionnelle and qualified electrician
- Member of the French National Assembly since March 1973 and of the Central Committee of the French Communist Parliamentary Group
- Former Secretary of the Federation of the French Communist Parliamentary Group in the Seine and Marne district

Sir Peter KIRK

Member of the Political Affairs Committee and the Committee on the Environment, Public Health, and Consumer Protection
 Chairman of the European Conservative Group

- Born May 18, 1928, in Oxford, United Kingdom
- Educated Marlborough College, Trinity College, Oxford, and Zurich University; President of the Oxford Union 1949
- Former journalist, director of public relations company, and producer of documentary films
- Member of Parliament for Saffron Walden since 1965; represented Gravesend 1955-64
- Under Secretary for War 1963-64; Under-Secretary of Defence for the Army 1964; Under Secretary of Defence for the Navy 1970-72
- Delegate to the Assemblies of the Council of Europe and the WEU during his membership in the House of Commons except while serving as a junior minister

Roger HOUDET

Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Regional Policy, Regional Planning, and Transport
 Liberal and Allies Group

- Born June 14, 1899, in Angers, France
- Agricultural Engineer; Graduate of Ecole Superieure d'Electricite; general engineer for rural areas
- Principal Private Secretary to Georges Monnet, Minister of Agriculture, 1937
- Under Secretary of State for Agriculture 1952
- Minister for Agriculture 1953-55 and 1958-59
- President of the Committee of Agricultural Ministers of the members of the Organization for European Cooperation and Development 1958
- resigned from ministerial office to serve term of office as Senator 1959;

re-elected Senator (Seine Maritime) 1968; Member of the Senate Committee on Cultural Affairs; Group of Independent Republicans

- Elected Mayor of Luneray 1962
- Member of the supervisory board of Radio et Television Francaise 1962-64
- Member of CODER (regional economic development committee) in Upper Normandy
- Delegate to Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe and to the Assembly of the WEU 1965-68

Edgar JAHN

Christian-Democratic Group

Vice Chairman of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health, and Consumer Protection; Member of the Political Affairs Committee and the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the EEC-Turkey Association

- Born November 21, 1914, in Neustettin, Germany
- Studied history, law, and political science in Berlin and Graz. Doctorate in political sciences
- Author and publisher since 1947
- Chairman of Arbeitsgemeinschaft Demokratischer Kreise 1951-69
- Vice Chairman of the refugee federation
- Member of Christlich-Demokratische Union since 1947; CDU Land Chairman for Brunswick and Member of the CDU Land executive for Lower Saxony
- Member of the Bundestag since 1965

Luigi Candidi ROSATI

Vice President of Joint Parliamentary Committee of EEC-Greece Association
Member of the Christian-Democratic Group

- Born August 21, 1914, in Romeno (Trento), Italy
- Graduate of University of Torino
- Fought in Resistance during World War II and was imprisoned
- President of the Federazione Internazionale dei Deportati Resistanti e Internati Europei
- Elected to Senate 1963; member of Energy, Health, and Defence Committees
- Founder and President of the Peoples University of Bolzano

Thomas NOLAN

Vice Chairman of the Committee on Social Affairs, Employment, and Education

Member of the European Progressive Democrats Group

- Born July 27, 1921, in Carlow, Ireland
- Member of Muine Bheag Town Council since 1955
- Member of Carlow Vocational Education Committee since 1955
- Member of Carlow County Committee on Agriculture since 1955
- Member of Carlow County Council since 1960
- Member of the Senate 1961-65
- Deputy for Carlow-Kilkenney since 1965
- Member of Consultative Assembly of Council of Europe 1964-65
- Dail Committee of Public Accounts 1969-73

Jan B. BROEKSZ

Member of the Legal Affairs Committee and the Committee on Development and Cooperation
Vice Chairman of the Socialist Group

- Born February 12, 1906, in Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- Member of the First Chamber of the States General since 1956, Dutch Labour Party
- Office Manager in Vara Broadcasting, then Secretary/Treasurer in 1940
- Network Secretary 1945-1966, then Chairman of Vara
- Has been a member of the board of various national and international radio organizations
- Member of Hilversum local council from 1935 to 1962
- Member of the First Chamber of the States General since 1956, Dutch Labour Party
- Chairman of European Broadcasting Union from 1965 to 1971
- Officer of the Order of Orange Nassau and Knight of the Netherlands Lion

Michael STEWART

Member of the Political Affairs Committee
Vice Chairman of the Socialist Group

- Born November 6, 1906, in Bromley, Kent, United Kingdom
- Educated Christ's Hospital, and St. John's College, Oxford; President of the Oxford Union 1929
- Army Intelligence Corps 1931-42
- Former teacher at Merchant Taylor's and the Cooper's Company Schools
- Member of Parliament for Fulham since 1950; represented East Fulham 1945-50
- Secretary of State for Education and Science 1964-65
- Secretary of State for Economic Affairs 1966-67
- Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs 1965-66 and 1968
- First Secretary of State 1967-68
- Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs 1968-70
- Chairman of the Select Committee on Parliamentary Commission for Administration 1970

Willem J. SCHUIJT

Member of the Political Affairs Committee, the Legal Affairs Committee, and the Committee on Development and Cooperation
Member of the Restricted Bureau of the Christian-Democratic Group

- Born June 27, 1909, in Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- Doctor of Philosophy and Letters
- Schoolteacher 1929-45
- Member of Executive of Advisory Committee of Resistance 1943-46
- Journalist (Paris correspondent of an Amsterdam newspaper and of Catholic broadcasting service) 1950-56
- Deputy Secretary-General of Nouvelles Equipes Internationales in Paris 1952-57
- Substitute at Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe and at Assembly of WEU 1957-60

- Member of Municipal Council of The Hague since 1970
- Member of the Second Chamber of the States-General 1956-71
- Member of the First Chamber of the States-General 1971

Norbert HOUGARDY

Member of the Committees on Economic and Monetary Affairs, and on Energy and Research

Vice Chairman of the Liberal and Allies Group

Former Vice President of the European Parliament

- Born November 1, 1909, in Etterbeek, Belgium
- Studied for degree at the Institut Supérieur de Commerce
- President of the Brussels Young Liberals 1939
- Lt. Colonel in the Resistance 1940-45; decorations
- Journalist and Company Director
- Senator for Brussels since 1956; Vice Chairman Parti de la Liberté et du Progrès (PLP); Vice President of the Senate 1967-68; Member of the Committee on National Defence and Finance

Ernest GLINNE

Member of the Committee on Social Affairs, Employment, and Education

Member of Joint Parliamentary Committee of EEC-Greece Association

Vice President of European Parliament's Socialist Group

- Born March 30, 1931, Forchies-la-Marche, Belgium
- Diploma in political science, Brussels University
- Member of Belgian Parliament since 1961
- Mayor of Courcelles 1964
- Minister of Employment and Labour 1973-34
- Member of Belgian Delegation to the United Nations

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