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EUROPEAN COMMUNITY: MAJOR UPCOMING EVENTS

The European Community will be involved in three major events in the coming weeks:

Delors Visit

Jacques Delors, President of the E.C. Commission, will make an official visit to Washington April 23 and 24. He will meet with President Ronald Reagan, Secretary of State George Shultz, Treasury Secretary James Baker, Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige, Agriculture Secretary John Block and Federal Reserve Board Chairman Paul Volcker. Mr. Delors will address the National Press Club at 12:30 p.m. April 23.

Economic Summit

Mr. Delors will attend the 11th annual Summit of Industrialized Nations May 2-4 in Bonn, joining leaders of the United States, Canada, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Japan and the United Kingdom. The Community has participated in the economic summits since 1977. Past summits have focused on such issues as inflation, employment, interest rates, trade, energy sources and policies toward developing countries. Community leaders have recently stressed the need for industrialized countries to stabilize currency-exchange markets and strengthen the international financial system. They have also outlined the factors that will enable a new round of multilateral trade negotiations to take place.

Reagan at the European Parliament

In a significant tribute to the E.C.-U.S. partnership, President Ronald Reagan will address the European Parliament in Strasbourg on May 8, the 40th anniversary of the end of war in Europe. Mr. Reagan will be the first U.S. President to address the European assembly, one of the institutions that has helped build a united and prosperous postwar Europe. Enclosed is a brochure describing the composition and powers of the 434-member Parliament, which is elected by citizens of the 10 E.C. member states.