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on behalf of the Committee on Budgetary Control

on the appointment of six members of the Court
of Auditors of the European Communities (Doc. 1-762/83)

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LELONG Pierre

Born in PARIS 7e, 22 May 1931,

Married in 1958 to CATHERINE DEMARGNE - 5 children.

Law Degree, Diploma of the Paris Institute of Political Studies

Former pupil of the National School of Administration (ENA-economic and financial section).

- 1958 - Administrative Officer at the Ministry of Finance
 - 1962 - Chargé de Mission in the Cabinet of the Prime Minister (Georges POMPIDOU)
 - 1965 - Commissioner of Audit at the French Court of Auditors
 - 1967 - Director of the Fonds d'Orientation et de Regularisation des Marchés Agricoles (FORMA-French Agricultural Fund)
 - 1968 - MP for Finistère (re-elected 1973)
 - 1974 - State Secretary responsible for Posts and Telecommunications
 - 1975 - Resumes functions at the French Court of Auditors
 - 1977 - Member of the Court of Auditors of the European Communities
 - 1981 - President of the Court of Auditors of the European Communities
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CURRICULUM VITAE

Name and marital status:

Marcel MART, born 10 May 1927 in Esch-sur-Alzette, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg. Widower since 1978; one son born in 1956, one daughter born in 1960.

Education:

- Humanities (Latin) in 1947
- University Studies at Luxembourg, Montpellier and Paris (Law Faculty)
- Law doctorate in 1953

Career:

- Barrister at the Luxembourg Bar from 1953 to 1955
- Chief editor at "AGENCE EUROPE", the international agency for economic, political and financial information, from 1955 to 1960
- Deputy spokesman of the High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community from 1960 to 1964
- Head of the Information Office of the European Communities in New York from 1964 to 1966
- Head of the Department for Information to Third Countries at the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels from 1967 to 1969
- Minister for Economic Affairs in the Luxembourg Government from 1969 to 1977
- Member of the Court of Auditors of the European Communities since October 1977, responsible for monitoring Development Aid.

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International career:

- Member of the Council of Ministers of the Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union from 1969 to 1977
- Member of the Council of Ministers of the BENELUX Union from 1969 to 1977
- Member of the Council of Ministers of EUROCONTROL (European Organization for the Safety of Air Navigation) from 1969 to 1977
- Member of the Council of Ministers of the European Community from 1969 to 1977 (Councils: Economic Affairs, Industrial Affairs, Energy, Research, Transport, Regional Policy)
- President of the Council of Ministers of the European Economic Community (for three periods of six months each)

Decorations:

- Grand Officer of the Oak Crown (Luxembourg)
 - Grand Cross of several national orders (Belgium, the Netherlands, the French Republic, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom).
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A.J. MIDDELHOEK

Born : 13 December 1931, Voorburg, Netherlands
Married: two children

Education : Economics Doctorate 1957, University of Amsterdam

Career : 1958-1966: Various posts in the Central Planning Office,
The Hague

1960-1969: Lecturer at the International Institute of
Social Studies, The Hague

1966-1969: Deputy Director of the Central Planning Office,
The Hague

1969-1977: Director-General for the National Budget,
Ministry of Finance, The Hague

In this capacity, also chairman or member
of various Government advisory groups and
committees

1969-1977: Member/Vice-Chairman of the EEC Economic
Policy Committee

1970-1977: Board member of Koninklijke Nederlandse
Hoogovens NV and Hoogovens IJmuiden BV

1977-to date: Member of the Court of Auditors
of the European Communities

CURRICULUM VITAE

Steryios VALLAS,

Resident of Athens, Adviser to the Court of Auditors

Place and date of birth: Plátanos, Trikála, 1926

Marital status: Married, two children

Education: (a) Secondary school certificate, 1945. (b) Diploma from the TTT (Posts and Telecommunications) College, 1947. (c) Degree in law from the University of Athens, 1952. (d) Post-graduate studies at the University of Paris in commercial and European law, 1970-1972.

Early career: (a) Civil servant in the Ministry of Communications (Directorate-General of Posts) from 1.6.1948 to 10.1.1955.
(b) Lawyer in Athens from 10.1.1955 to 15.5.1956.

Legal career: (a) Justice of the Peace from 15.5.1956 to 10.3.1957.
(b) Assistant judge for two years and subsequently judge of first instance, 11.3.1957 to 31.1.1970. (c) President of the court of first instance from 1.2.1970 to 30.4.1974. (d) Appeal court judge from 1.5.1974 to 12.10.1979 and (e) Adviser to the Court of Auditors since 13.10.1979.

Other administrative experience: (a) Mayor of Thessaloníki (appointed by the Government) from 24.9.1974 to 31.5.1975. (b) Special legal adviser on questions of European Community law to the Minister of Justice in preparation for Greece's accession to the European Communities, for one year from June 1976, and subsequently for three years also to the Minister for Co-ordination and the Minister without Portfolio responsible for relations between Greece and the European Communities. (c) Special adviser in the Legal Office of the Prime Minister for questions relating to the State Administration, the Court of Auditors and European Community law, since 1.12.1982.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Full Name: Charles John Carey

Date of Birth and age: 11 November 1933. 49

Nationality: British

Professional and academic qualifications: Oxford University, Bachelor of Arts degree in Classical Languages and Literature, History and Philosophy.

Languages (other than English):
Fluent Russian
French (good)
Italian (slight)

1981 to date: Under Secretary in EM Treasury in charge of a group of divisions dealing with Aid and Export Finance. The work covers: relations with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and other multilateral aid organisations; the terms of official export credit; and the related problems of international indebtedness and debt rescheduling.

1978 to 1981 Treasury Officer of Accounts (Under Secretary). Duties as described in the attached extract from "Government Accounting". During his term of office Mr Carey was closely involved in a fundamental review of the role of the Comptroller and Auditor General (who is responsible for external audit) and the efficiency and effectiveness of internal audit in the civil service.

1974 to 1977 Economics and Finance Counsellor to the Office of the United Kingdom Permanent Representative to the European Communities. January - June 1977 Chairman, EEC Council Budget Committee.

1957 to 1974 Held various posts in all sectors of the Treasury in grades from Assistant Principal to Assistant Secretary.

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In 1960 to 1961 was Private Secretary to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and in 1961 Private Secretary to the Permanent Secretary in charge of the Overseas Sector.

From 1965 to 1968 was Estimate Clerk whose main concern is the Supply Estimates system, which is an important feature of Parliament's control of expenditure.

Background details:

Single

Educated at Rugby School and Balliol College, Oxford.

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TREASURY OFFICER OF ACCOUNTS

The Treasury Officer of Accounts is an Under Secretary supported by a small specialist staff. He combines the work with other duties.

The Treasury Officer of Accounts was first appointed in 1872 to assist and advise officers who rendered appropriation accounts upon all technical points concerned with book-keeping and accounts so that from the outset their duties were closely linked with the Parliamentary control of expenditure provided for in the Exchequer and Audit Departments Acts, and the detailed accounting and audit arrangements designed to secure that control. They were, and the present Treasury Officer of Accounts still is, the main Treasury link with the Comptroller and Auditor General and with the Public Accounts Committee. The Treasury Officer of Accounts, or his deputy, attends when the Public Accounts Committee meets to take evidence from Accounting Officers. He does so both as a representative of the Executive and by reason of the Treasury's duty to co-operate with the Public Accounts Committee in its enquiries.

Thus the Treasury Officer of Accounts (TOA), and his staff are responsible for the maintenance of the general principles underlying the vote cash accounting system, which like the Supply Estimates system is an important feature of Parliament's control of expenditure. Where the cash system by itself appears to be inadequate to provide a proper picture of Government activities it is for TOA in consultation with the Treasury 'Expenditure' division concerned to decide whether accounts on a commercial basis should be maintained, and if so, their form.

Similarly TOA has an interest in the existence of store accounts

In these contexts TOA is called upon by departments, and sometimes by the Comptroller and Auditor General or his officers, to give advice or decisions relating to technical and accounting matters.

TOA is also responsible for prescribing the form of 'White Paper' accounts and assisting and advising the departments or other bodies responsible for their preparation. In addition TOA exercises the duty, laid upon the Treasury by the relevant statutes, to direct or approve forms of accounts of public

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boards and nationalised industries. In this matter TOA works in close co-operation with the Finance or Accounts branches of the department having Ministerial responsibility for the bodies concerned.

TOA is the focal point within the Treasury for the consideration of matters covered by the Reports of the Public Accounts Committee.

Where the Reports concern aspects of Parliament's control of expenditure they are likely to be within TOA's sphere of responsibility and decision. Where the observation and recommendations of the Committee represent, in effect, criticism of the actions of the Executive, for example, about wasteful expenditure, it is for Treasury 'Expenditure' divisions, in consultation with the departments concerned, to frame the replies. TOA however has a strong interest in any matter which appears to imply a weakness in financial control since the Public Accounts Committee looks to the Treasury to co-operate with it in its attempts to secure improvement in departmental administration. In such matters TOA may therefore be asked to contribute to the formulation of a Treasury view and policy on the questions involved. Finally, TOA is responsible for the preparation of the Treasury Minute, to be laid before Parliament, embodying the views and decisions of the Executive on all questions dealt with in the Reports of the Committee.

The foregoing remarks relate for the most part to accounts, and the receipts and payments which they reflect. TOA is also consulted on a variety of other matters, such as the clauses in draft Bills which include financial provisions affecting public funds; and proposed indemnities or guarantees which may in effect commit Parliament to expenditure in advance. TOA is also responsible for arranging that a statement of their duties is sent on appointment to Accounting Officers.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Lothar HAASE

Born: 30 August 1923 in Kassel

1930 - 1941: School in Kassel (School Leaving Certificate)

1942 - 1948: Military service

1948 - 1952: Economic studies in Marburg (Diploma in Political Economy)

Since 1953 : In post at the German Federal Institution for Labour
(former member of the Administrative Board)

Since 1961 : Member of the German Bundestag

Since 1962 : Member of the Budget Committee of the Bundestag

1962 - 1976: Member of the Auditing Committee of the Budget Committee

The Auditing Committee has the task of auditing the budget accounts of the Federal Republic of Germany including the federal fund accounts, and of investigating the economic efficiency and orderliness of the budget and economic management of the Federal Republic including its special funds and undertakings. Auditing thus covers the entire financial and economic activity of the Federal Republic. The tasks of the Auditing Committee require continuous co-operation with the Federal Court of Auditors.

1980 - 1982: Chairman of the Budget Committee.

Since October 1982: Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Bundestag.