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859th Council meeting

- Internal Market -

Luxembourg, 21 June 1983

President: Otto Graf LAMBSDORFF,
Federal Minister for Economic Affairs
of the Federal Republic of Germany

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

Belgium:

Mr Paul de KEERSMAEKER
State Secretary, European
Affairs and Agriculture

Denmark:

Mr Ib STETTER
Minister for Industry

Germany:

Otto Graf LAMBSDORFF
Federal Minister for
Economic Affairs

Mr Otto SCHLECHT
State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of
Economic Affairs

Greece:

Mr Theodoros PANGALOS
State Secretary,
Ministry of Trade

France:

Mr Jean VIDAL
Deputy Permanent Representative

Ireland:

Mr M. MOYNIHAN
Minister of State,
Department of Trade, Commerce
and Tourism

Italy:

Mr Paolo GALLI
Deputy Permanent Representative

Luxembourg:

Mr Jean MISCHO
Deputy Permanent Representative

Netherlands:

Mr F. BOLKESTEIN
Minister for Foreign Trade

United Kingdom:

Mr Paul CHANNON
Minister for Trade

Commission:

Mr Wilhelm HAFERKAMP
Vice-President

Mr Karl-Heinz NARJES
Member

COMMUNITY CERTIFICATION

Following discussions on 26 May 1983 the Council again took up its examination of the question of the Community certification procedure for products originating in third countries. Discussion at the meeting was concentrated on the major outstanding problems, namely: Commission approval of holding measures; the precautionary measures in cases of justified urgency; the decision procedure.

The Council agreed to return to this matter at a later meeting.

STRENGTHENING OF COMMON COMMERCIAL POLICY - ILLICIT PRACTICES

The Council took up its examination of the proposed Regulation on the strengthening of the common commercial policy with regard in particular to protection against illicit commercial practices.

The Council agreed to refer this problem back to the Committee of Permanent Representatives who would pursue its examination in the light of the various comments made during this meeting.

TRANSNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE
FOR INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

The Council continued its discussions on the draft decision concerning a plan for the transnational development of the supporting infrastructure for innovation and technology transfer (1983-1985).

While broad agreement was reached on the principle of the draft decision, certain questions of detail remained unresolved. The Council therefore agreed to return to this matter at a future meeting.

PROPRIETARY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

The Council examined again proposals for a directive and a recommendation relating to proprietary medicinal products. At this meeting it was recognised that considerable progress had been made on this matter and it was hoped that a final decision could be reached at the next meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS

The Council took note of the following statements :

- Follow-up to the European Council on the Internal Market (Commission) ;
- European standardisation (Germany).

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CONSEIL, IL Y A UN ESPOIR QUE CERTAINS POINTS PUISSENT ABOUTIR.

AMITIES, M. SANTARELLI

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N O T E B I O (83) (SUITE 1 ET FIN) AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX
CC/ AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE DU PORTE PAROLE

CONSEIL MARCHÉ INTERIEUR A LUXEMBOURG LE 21 JUIN 1983. (O. VON SCHNE

----- RIN) /
LE CONSEIL A TERMINE SES TRAVAUX; COMME PREVU; PEU APRES 13.00
HEURES.

LA DIRECTIVE SUR L'AMIANTE (QUI AVAIT ETE PRATIQUEMENT ACQUISE DEJA
LORS DU DERNIER CONSEIL) A ETE ADOPTEE COMME POINT A. (POINT 2)

LES DISCUSSIONS ETAIENT TOUJOURS DOMINEES PAR LE LIEN ENTRE LE
PROBLEME CERTIFICATION COMMUNAUTAIRE DES PRODUITS EN PROVENANCE DES

PAYS TIERS (POINT 3); D'UNE PART; ET LA PROPOSITION D'UN NOUVEAU
INSTRUMENT POUR LA POLITIQUE COMMERCIALE EXTERIEURE;

D'AUTRE PART. POINT 4

BIEN QUE SUR LE VOLET CERTIFICATION IL Y AVAIT UN CERTAIN PROGRES
CONCERNANT LE PROCESSUS DE DECISION; LE CONSEIL NE S'EST PAS
PRONONCE DEFINITIVEMENT SUR LE DOSSIER EN RAISON DES DIVERGENCES
DE VUE CONCERNANT L'INSTRUMENT COMMERCIAL.
CETTE QUESTION FAISAIT L'OBJET D'UNE REUNION SPECIALE DU COMITE 113.

DANS L'ETAT ACTUEL LA DISCUSSION N'EST PLUS CENTREE ESSENTIELLEMENT
SUR L'OPPORTUNITE ET LA NECESSITE D'UN TEL INSTRUMENT; MAIS
SURTOUT SUR LE PROCESSUS DECISIONNEL ET NOTAMMENT LA QUESTION
SI; EN CAS DE CARENCE DU CONSEIL APRES CERTAINS DELAIS; LA
COMMISSION DEVRAIT STATUER.

EN EFFET; LES DELEGATIONS DU ROYAUME UNI ET DE LA REPUBLIQUE
FEDERALE D'ALLEMAGNE INSISTENT SUR LA NECESSITE D'UNE DECISION
A MAJORITE QUALIFIEE PAR LE CONSEIL; TANDIS QUE LA COMMISSION; SOUTE
NUE PAR LA FRANCE; LA BELGIQUE ET L'ITALIE DEFEND LA THESE QU'ON
DEVRAIT TROUVER UN MOYEN DE SORTIR DE L'IMPASSE CREEE PAR
L'IMPOSSIBILITE EVENTUELLE DE TROUVER UNE MAJORITE QUALIFIEE
AU CONSEIL.

LA DELEGATION FRANCAISE A NOTAMMENT DECLARE QUE ; POUR ELLE;
CETTE PROPOSITION SIGNIFIE UN TEST SUR LA VOLONTE DU CONSEIL DE
CONFORMER L'IDENTITE EUROPEENNE A L'EGARD DE SES PARTENAIRES
COMMERCIAUX.

M. HAFERKAMP S'EST REFERE AU MANDAT DU CONSEIL DE JUIN 1982
ET A MIS EN GARDE LE CONSEIL DE NE PAS VIDER LA PROPOSITION
DE TOUTE SUBSTANCE; MAIS IL A PROMIS EN MEME TEMPS DE
RECONSIDERER LA PROPOSITION AU SUJET DU PROCESSUS DE DECISION.
LA DISCUSSION SUR LA PROPOSITION D'UN PLAN DE DEVELOPPER L'INFRASTRUC
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D'INNOVATION ET DE TECHNOLOGIE S'ETAIT HEURTEE AUX

----- MEMES PROBLEMES DES
DECISIONS DANS DES CAS SPECIFIQUES; TANDIS QUE L'ORIENTATION GENERALE
DE CETTE PROPOSITION AINSI QUE LE PRINCIPE D'UNE LISTE ANNUELLE
DE PRIORITES A ETABLIR PAR LA COMMISSION N'ETAIENT PAS CONTESTES
(POINT 5).

ENFIN; LA PROPOSITION DE DIRECTIVE CONCERNANT L'HARMONISATION DES SPECIALITES PHARMACEUTIQUES ETAIT BLOQUEE PAR UNE RESERVE GENERALE GRECQUE.

DANS UNE DECLARATION FINALE; LA DELEGATION ALLEMANDE S'EST PRONONCEE EN FAVEUR DES PROGRES DANS LE DOMAINE DES NORMES ET REGLEMENTATIONS TECHNIQUES POUR ARRIVER; A LONG TERME; A DES NORMES EUROPEENNES.

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M. MARJES S'EST FELICITE DE CETTE INITIATIVE ET A CONFIRME QUE LA COMMISSION AVAIT DEJA ENTREPRIS DES TRAVAUX DANS CETTE DIRECTION.

CONCERNANT L'ENSEMBLE DES TRAVAUX DU CONSEL MARCHE INTERIEUR IL A SOULIGNE QUE LES PROGRES REALISES ETAIENT ENCORE LIMITE MALGRE DES EFFORTS INCONTESTABLES DE LA PART DE LA COMMISSION ET DE LA PRESIDENCE DU CONSEIL ET QUE LA POURSUITE DES TRAVAUX AU COURANT DU DEUXIEME SEMESTRE 1983 LUI PARAISSAIT INDISPENSABLE SI LE CONSEIL ETAIT DISPOSE A REALISER LE MANDAT QUI LUI A ETE CONFIE PAR LE CONSEIL EUROPEEN POUR UNE RELANCE DU MARCHE INTERIEUR EUROPEEN COMME CONTRIBUTION A LA RELANCE ECONOMIQUE GENERALE.

LA DELEGATION GRECQUE; COMME PRESIDENCE FUTURE; A SOULIGNE TOUT L'INTERET QU'ELLE PORTE A CE DOSSIER EN SOULIGNANT NOTAMMENT QUE DES PROGRES S'IMPOSENT DANS LE DOMAINE DE LA PROTECTION DES CONSOMMATEURS.

AMITIES;

O. VON SCHWERIN

Table 8 (continued)

Number, place and date of meeting	Subject	President	Commission	Main items of business
859th Luxembourg 21 June	Internal Market	Mr Lambsdorff	Mr Haferkamp, Mr Narjes	<p><i>Anti-dumping duties.</i></p> <p><i>Follow-up to European Council.</i></p> <p><i>Review of ERDF.</i>¹² Further discussion.</p> <p><i>Urban renewal in Belfast.</i>¹² Regulation instituting specific Community measure adopted.</p> <p><i>Relations with Council of Europe.</i>¹³</p> <p><i>Demonstration and pilot projects in energy field — Conciliation procedure with Parliament.</i>¹⁴ Discussion of points of substance.</p> <p><i>Community certification.</i>¹⁵ Major outstanding problems discussed.</p> <p><i>Strengthening of common commercial policy — Illicit practices.</i>¹⁶ Examination.</p> <p><i>Transnational development of supporting infrastructure for innovation and technology transfer.</i> Broad agreement on principle of draft decision.</p> <p><i>Proprietary medicinal products.</i> Review.</p>
860th Luxembourg 21 June	Steel industry	Mr Lambsdorff	Mr Ortoli Mr Davignon Mr Andriessen	<p><i>Production quotas.</i>¹⁵ Assent to extension of present arrangements to end of July.</p>
861st Luxembourg 28 June	Research	Mr Riesenhuber	Mr Davignon	<p><i>Forecasting and assessment in science and technology 1983-87 — FAST II.</i>⁷ Substantive agreement.</p> <p><i>Evaluation of results of Community R&D programmes.</i>⁷ Substantive agreement on resolution on Community plan of action.</p> <p><i>JRC multiannual programme 1984-87.</i>⁷ Preliminary exchange of views.</p> <p><i>Framework programmes for Community research, development and demonstration activities and initial framework programme for 1984-87.</i>⁷ Resolution agreed.</p>

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