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COMMON MARKET TO HOLD CONFERENCE ON ROLE OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN SOCIETY

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 23 -- The Commission of the European Communities is sponsoring a conference to explore ways to assure that industrial development has a beneficial impact on the social, political and economic structures of the Community.

This conference, which is expected to be attended by approximately 300 representatives from management, labor, Community institutions, and member state and applicant state governments, will take place April 20-22 in Venice on the island of San Giorgio.

Referring to the conference's objectives, Altiero Spinelli, the Commission member with special responsibility for industrial, technological and scientific affairs, stressed defining the aims for economic development "so that it can contribute to the creation of a society which satisfies man's deepest yearnings."

The conference is designed to provide a forum for management, labor and independent experts to exchange views on the direction of the Community's industrial policies, he said.

The official conference schedule calls for Mr. Spinelli to welcome the conference participants in an introductory speech on Thursday morning, April 20th. This will be followed by a report from Robert Toulemon, Com-

mission director-general for Industrial, Technological and Scientific Affairs, on the progress the Community has made in its industrial policy.

Then the conference will split up into three separate work groups which will follow their own schedules until a plenary session Saturday morning April 22. At that time, the chairman of each group will deliver a report on the results of the various dialogues. The conference is scheduled to end at 3 p.m. Saturday.

The first group will analyze "Industrial Development and the Reduction of Social and Regional Disparities" and have as its chairman Albert Coppé, a Commission member from Belgium.

Group Two will be chaired by Raymond Barre, a vice president of the Commission, and deal with the topic "Industrial Development, Collective Needs and Quality of Life."

Commission Vice President Wilhelm Haferkamp will be the chairman of Group Three which will examine "The Community in the World."

Three subjects will be discussed by each group, with discussions of a subject based on reports given by a management representative, a labor spokesman, and an individual unaffiliated with either of the two previous factions. Simultaneous translation will be provided in French, German, Italian, and Dutch.

A schedule for each group during the three day conference follows:

GROUP I

Thursday 3 p.m. "Industrial Development in the Community:
Problems and Prospects"

Speakers:

R. LOMBARDI (Italy), Chairman of Confindustria
(manufacturers association)
G. VENTEJOL (France), Federal Secretary of the
Force ouvrière (trade union)
J. BOISSANNAT (France), Editor-in-chief of
"L'Expansion"

- Friday 9:30 a.m. "The Function and Position of Individuals in the Enterprise"
- Speakers:
- O.A. FRIEDRICH (Germany), Chairman of BDA (manufacturers association)
J. HOUTHUYS (Belgium), Chairman of CSC/ACV (trade union)
M.P. FOGARTY (Ireland), Professor at the Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin
- 3 p.m. "The Conditions for an Increase of the Investments of Community Enterprises in the Less Developed Regions of the Community. Role of Industry and the Public Authorities"
- Speakers:
- D.J. EZRA (Britain), Chairman of the National Coal Board
M. DIDO (Italy) Federal Secretary of the CGIL (trade union)
G. Kienbaum (Germany), President of the Economic Commission in the Bundestag, industrial consultant

GROUP II

- Thursday 3 p.m. "Trends in Collective and Private Requirements in European Society, and Their Implications for Industry"
- Speakers:
- P. HUVELIN (France), Chairman of CNPF (manufacturers association)
C. DELACOURT-SMITH (Britain), Secretary-General, Post Office Engineering Union
G. RUFFOLO (Italy), Secretary-General for Planning
- Friday 9:30 a.m. "Implications of Environmental Measures for Industrial Development and the Siting of Enterprises"
- Speakers:
- G. PETRILLI (Italy) Chairman of the Institute for Industrial Reconstruction
J. LAOT (France), Member of the Executive Committee of the CFTD (labor unions)
H. JURGENSEN (Germany), Professor at the University Hamburg

3 p.m. "The Problem of Financing the Increasing Costs of Infrastructure and Social Investment Without Disrupting the Harmonious Development of the Community"

Speakers:

H. NEUMAN (Belgium), Chairman of the National Investment Society
B. ARMATO (Italy), Federal Secretary of the CISL (labor union)
M. ALBERT (France), Inspector of Public Finance

GROUP III

Thursday 3 p.m. "Aims and Means of a European Policy on Technological Development"

Speakers:

L. BÖLKOW (Germany), Chairman of the Board of Messerschmitt-Bölkow-Blohm GmbH
O. BRENNER (Germany), Chairman of IG Metall (labor union)
R. CLARKE (Britain), Former Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Technology

Friday 9:30 a.m. "The Development of Multinational Companies; Its Advantages and Disadvantages: Economic, Social and Political Measures and Adjustments Called For:

Speakers:

G. KRAIJENHOFF (Netherlands), Chairman of the Board of AKZO
F. SIMONCINI (Italy), Federal Secretary of the UIL (labor union)
L. DUQUESNE de la VINELLE (Belgium), Professor at the Catholic University of Louvain

3 p.m. "Promotion of Industrialization in the Developing Countries, Implications for Community Industry"

Speakers:

P. MOUSSA (France), Director-General of PARIBAS
H.O. VETTER (Germany) Chairman of DGB (labor union)
J. TINBERGEN (Netherlands), Professor at the Economic Institute of the Netherlands, Rotterdam

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