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Dr Jac Aarts has been with the European Commission since 1963 and is since early 2000 adviser in DG Enterprise. Before that, he has been Head of the Steel Task Force from 1982 to 1986 and since then and until 2000 Head of the Steel Division in DG Industry. In view of his retirement in mid-2002, he has requested to become an adviser to the DG on international aspects of enterprise policy. On the Steel Task Force, Mr Aarts has been managing an internal team of 14 EC officials and an external staff of 70 auditors and 65 engineers to organise and control the Commission's steel restructuring plan and to work out verification and financial viability plans. As Head of the Steel Division, he has been in charge of the implementation of the overall steel policy of the European Commission under the Coal and Steel Community Treaty (ECSC) ; this included the management of a team of 28 EC officials.

Previous appointments with the Commission include Administrator in DG Competition (1963-67), Desk officer in DG Economy and Finance (1967-71) and Principal Administrator in DG External Relations (1971-82) in charge of bilateral EC/US trade relations.

Prior to entering the European Commission, he has done academic work (assistant at the Institute for foreign and international economic law in Frankfurt/Germany) and has been an economic analyst at the US embassy in The Hague (Netherlands). All along his time at the European Commission, he has given several lectures on US/EC relations, European integration and later steel policies. He has been the beneficiary of an Eisenhower fellowship in 1975. During his time as US desk officer, he extensively travelled the USA and gave several lectures .

Dr Aarts is an economist with a legal background and holds a PhD degree in economics from Tilburg University (Holland). Publications include « Market power and Antitrust : a comparative study on US and EC competition law » (1975) and various articles on competition policies, on relations between the EC and the USA and on steel policy.

Jac Aarts is Dutch, and was born in 1937 in Den Bosch, Netherlands. He is fluent in English, French and German and basic Italian .

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Curriculum Vitae

Aug.13, 1937 Born at 's-Hertogenbosch/Netherlands  
Dutch nationality  
Father: Jac.E.Aarts, Confectioner  
Mother: Mrs.Wilhelmina Aarts, née Schuurmans

Jan.10, 1964 married to Miss Anneliese Jülge from Würtingen

EDUCATION:

July 1954 Baccalauréat (second school leaving certificate)  
from the Rijks Hogere Burgerschool, 's-Hertogenbo

1954-1959 studied economics at Tilburg School of Economics  
Tilburg/Netherlands  
main subjects: Economics, International Economic  
Managerial Economics, Public Finance, Money, Credit  
and Banking, (including international capital  
movements and international financial problems);  
Law: Civil and Common Law, Constitutional Law,  
Administrative Law.

Febr. 18, 1957 Licentiat, Tilburg School of Economics.

July 1, 1959 Doctorate cum laude

March 1962-  
April 1962 attended international course on the structure of  
the American economy, sponsored by the Salzburg  
Seminar in American Studies.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER:

Sept. 1959-  
Oct. 1960 Lecturer at the "Gesamteuropäisches Studienwerk"  
at Vlotho, Germany, especially for political  
questions concerning European integration and  
economic problems.

Oct.1960-  
April 1962 Research Assistant to Dr. A.H.L.Albregts, Professor  
of Economics, Tilburg School of Economics, with  
special reference to competition problems and  
problems of international economic relations.  
During this time I also worked for Professor  
Kronstein at Frankfurt University in the field of  
competition law.

Both functions interrupted from jan.1961 till june 1961 as a  
stagiaire with the Directorate General for Competition of the EEC-  
Commission.

April 1962-  
Febr. 1963 Economic Analyst at the United States Embassy,  
The Hague, Netherlands. Functions: Analysis and  
appreciation of economic and financial development  
in the Netherlands for the US State Department.  
Analysis of the Dutch capital market, especially  
concerning US investment possibilities.

Since April 1963 Senior Officer, Commission of the European Communities, Brussels. Until 1966 member of the Antitrust Division; from 1966 to 1970 responsible for the Commission's reporting on the Dutch economy; since 1971 as the American desk officer in the Directorate General for Foreign Trade.

Publications:

Ph-D thesis on the possibilities of intervention by antitrust policy in the process of industrial concentration. The book, which is to be published in English and actually on print, is entitled "Market Power vs. Antitrust Law".

Lectures given in Belgium, Holland, France and Germany on various economic subjects.

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#### Biographical Note

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Mr. Aarts was born in 1937 in 'S-Hertogenbosch, the Netherlands.

After an initial training period with the European Economic Community Commission in 1961, Mr. Aarts became a senior Commission official in April, 1963. At first, he was a member of the Commission's antitrust division. In 1966-70, he was responsible for the Commission's reporting on the Dutch economy. Since 1971, he has worked as the American desk officer in the Commission's Directorate General for foreign trade.

His educational background includes a Baccalaureat from the Rijks Hogere Burgerschool in his hometown of 'S-Hertogenbosch and a Doctorate Cum Laude from the Tilburg School of Economics, the Netherlands. He also participated in the "International Course on the Structure of the American Economy," sponsored by the Salzburg Seminar in American Studies, in 1962.

His professional activities prior to joining the Communities focused on economics. In 1959-60, Mr. Aarts was a lecturer at the "Gesamteuropaeisches Studienwerk" (United European Study Organization) at Vlotho, Germany. In 1960-62, he was a research assistant at the Tilburg School of Economics. In 1962-63, he worked as an economics analyst at the U.S. Embassy in The Hague, the Netherlands.

Mr. Aarts's Ph.D. thesis on the possibilities of intervention by antitrust policy in the process of industrial concentration has been published in English, under the title "Market Power Versus Antitrust Law."

Mr. Aarts is married and makes his home in Brussels, Belgium.

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