



## Roy Harris Jenkins

"I am of course no more than one of a team, and the team no more than one in a succession."

(Speech at Edinburgh - 6.11.1976)

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*Mr. Roy Jenkins, as President, is overall responsible for all the activities of the Commission, and in particular for the Secretariat-General, Legal Service and the Spokeman's Group. In a move to rationalise the Commission's information services he also takes over responsibility for the Information Directorate-General (DG X).*

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Born 11 November 1920 ; married, 3 children.

**Educated:**

Abersychan Grammar School; Balliol College, Oxford (Hon Fellow 1969); Secretary and Librarian, Oxford Union

Society; Chairman, Oxford University Democratic Socialist Club.

1941 : First Class in Honours School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics;

**Career:**

1942-1946: Royal Artillery, Captain;

1946-1948: Member of Staff of Industrial and Commercial Finance Corp. Ltd.;

1948-1950: MP (Labour) for Central Southwark;

1949-1950: Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations.

1950-1976: MP for Stechford Division of Birmingham;

1949-1961: Member of Executive Committee of Fabian Society (Chairman 1957/58);

1955-1958: Governor, British Film Institute;

1956-1960: Member of Committee of Management, Society of Authors;

1962-1964: Director of Financial Operations, John Lewis Partnership;

1964-1965: Minister of Aviation;

1964: Privy Councillor;

1965-1967: Home Secretary;

1967-1970: Chancellor of the Exchequer;

1970-1972: Deputy Leader, Labour Party;

1974-1976: Home Secretary;

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United Kingdom Delegate to Council of Europe, 1955-1957;

President of United Kingdom Council of the European Movement, and of Labour Committee for Europe;

Hon. Foreign Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1973;

Hon. Fellow, Berkeley College, Yale, 1972;

Hon. Doctrates from: Leeds (1971), Harvard (1972), Glasgow (1972), Pennsylvania (1973), Dundee (1973), Oxford (1973), Loughborough (1975);

Charlemagne Prize and Robert Schuman Prize 1972.

Numerous publications on political and biographical subjects, including: Mr. Attlee: an Interim Biography, 1948; Pursuit of Progress, 1953; The Labour Case, 1959; Asquith, 1964; Essays and Speeches, 1967; Afternoon on the Potomac, 1972; Nine Men of Power, 1975.

## MR JENKINS' OPPORTUNITY

The European summit which ended in Brussels yesterday can undoubtedly be considered a success. For once, agreements were reached not merely on general principles but on specific actions. The agreement on a formula

making it possible to hold direct elections for the European Parliament in 1978 is clearly an event which could have a profound effect on the whole future development of the Community. The agreement to appoint Mr