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Biographical Note

ETIENNE REUTER, MEMBER OF THE CABINET OF THE RT. HON.
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COMMUNITIES

Mr. Etienne Reuter was born in Luxembourg in 1944 and received a M.A. in Law from the University of Strasbourg in France. In 1967, he attended a Seminar on International Law at The Hague Academy of International Law.

In 1966, Mr. Reuter became Legal Consultant for SECALT, S.A., a Luxembourg company which manufactures and exports machine tools and industrial equipment. In 1967, he joined the Secretariat of the European Commission on Human Rights at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg as an attorney. He was Assistant Secretary to the Human Rights Sub-Commission which investigated Greece in 1969, leading to the suspension of that country's membership of the Council of Europe.

In 1971, he became a member of the Office of the Clerk of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and Secretary to the Political Affairs Committee. In 1974, he was appointed Deputy Chef-de-Cabinet to the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe. In this position, he was responsible for general management of the organization, political affairs, relations with the European Community, cultural affairs and education, youth and speechwriting.

In 1977, he moved to his present position as a member of the cabinet of the President of the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels, Belgium. As a member of President Jenkins' personal staff, Mr. Reuter is responsible for advising him on external relations, development aid, and the institutions of the European Community.

Mr. Reuter is married with three children.

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