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**MR ANDRIESEN AND MR DE CLERCQ  
IN WASHINGTON FOR TALKS WITH THE US CONGRESS  
AND LEADING MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Andriessen, responsible for agricultural policy, and Mr De Clercq, responsible for trade policy, will visit Washington on 7, 8 and 9 July. Their visit has a dual purpose:

- to meet leading members of the US Congress in order to make known the Community's position regarding the trade legislation currently being discussed by Congress, since the Community continues to be concerned about certain aspects of the bills in question, in particular the "Gephardt" amendment, which aims to penalize countries running a trade surplus with the United States, the provisions on telecommunications, which introduce the notion of strict sectoral reciprocity, the strengthening of anti-dumping and anti-subsidy legislation and legislation on unfair trading practices (Section 301 of the Trade Act) and on limits to be placed on the Executive's scope for action in the conduct of trade policy;
- to review the state of Community-US relations with members of the United States Government and to discuss a number of outstanding bilateral trade problems (pasta products, hormones, superfund, etc.) and also recent developments in the Uruguay Round. In this context they will meet Secretary of State Shultz, Mr. Richard Lyng, the Secretary of Agriculture, and Mr. Clayton Yeutter, the US Trade Representative.