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COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
GENERAL SECRETARIAT

PRESS RELEASE

4345/86 (Presse 7)

1058th Council meeting
- Economic and Financial Affairs -
Brussels, 20 January 1986

President: Mr H. RUDING,
Minister for Finance
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Mark EYSKENS Minister for Finance

Denmark:

Mr Jakob RYTTER Deputy Permanent Representative

Germany:

Mr Hans TIETMEYER State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Finance

Greece:

Mr Yannis PAPANTONIOY State Secretary,
Ministry of the National Economy

Spain:

Mr Miguel Angel FERNANDEZ ORDÓÑEZ State Secretary,
Ministry of the Economy and Planning

France:

Mr Luc de LA BARRE de NANTEUIL Ambassador,
Permanent Representative

Ireland:

Mr Maurice DOYLE Secretary-General,
Ministry of Finance

Italy

Mr Domenico SUSI State Secretary,
Ministry of Finance

Luxembourg

Mr Jacques F. POOS Minister for Economic Affairs

Netherlands:

Mr H. RUDING

Minister for Finance

Portugal:

Mr Carlos Alberto
TAVARES MOREIRA

State Secretary at the
Ministry of Finance, with special
responsibility for the Treasury

United Kingdom:

Sir David HANNAY

Ambassador,
Permanent Representative

Commission

Lord COCKFIELD

Vice-President

Mr Willy DE CLERCQ

Member

ABOLITION OF TAX FRONTIERS

Following its decision of 9 December 1985 to set up an ad hoc Working Party composed of the Heads of Taxation Administrations or other personal representatives of the Ministers for Finance, the Council instructed the Working Party to examine, on the basis of Part III of the Commission's White Paper, what measures are necessary to ensure that the Internal Market is established and operating by the end of 1992. It was agreed that measures other than those proposed by the Commission may form part of this examination.

The Working Party will report regularly to the ECOFIN Council, via the Permanent Representatives Committee, the first report being due for the meeting on 10 March 1986.

EXPORT CREDITS - COMMERCIAL INTEREST REFERENCE RATES (CIRRs)

The Council approved a Decision on the position to be adopted by the Community at the international OECD negotiations on the review of the provisions of the Arrangement on Guidelines for Officially Supported Export Credits regarding commercial interest reference rates (CIRRs).



COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
GENERAL SECRETARIAT



PRESS RELEASE

4346/86 (Presse 8)

1059th meeting of the Council

- Agriculture -

Brussels, 20 and 21 January 1986

President:

Mr Gerrit BRAKS

Minister for Agriculture
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Paul DE KEERSMAEKER State Secretary for European
Affairs and Agriculture

Denmark:

Mr Niels Anker KOFOED Minister for Agriculture

Germany:

Mr Ignaz KIECHLE Federal Minister for Food,
Agriculture and Forestry

Mr Walther FLORIAN State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Food,
Agriculture and Forestry

Greece:

Mr Yiannis POTTAKIS Minister for Agriculture

Spain:

Mr Carlos ROMERO HERRERA Minister for Agriculture

France:

Mr Henri NALLET Minister for Agriculture

Ireland:

Mr Paddy HEGARTY Minister of State,
Department of Agriculture

Italy:

Mr Filippo Maria PANDOLFI Minister for Agriculture

Luxembourg:

Mr Marc FISCHBACH Minister for Agriculture and
Viticulture

Mr René STEICHEN State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture and
Viticulture

Netherlands:

Mr Gerrit BRAKS

Minister for Agriculture

Portugal:

Mr Alvaro BARETTO

Minister for Agriculture

United Kingdom:

Mr Michael JOPLING

Minister for Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food

Commission:

Mr Frans H.J.J. ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

ADJUSTMENT OF THE COMMON ORGANIZATION OF MARKETS IN THE CEREALS AND BEEF AND VEAL SECTORS

The Council resumed the discussion it had broadly embarked upon in 1985 on the problems of reforming the common agricultural policy, in connection with its discussions on the Green Pound.

In this context it had held an exchange of views on the memorandum on cereals last November, and in December had given its initial reactions to the memorandum on beef and veal.

At the present meeting, after being informed by the Commission that it would very shortly be submitting its proposals on cereals, the Council stated that it would begin a detailed discussion on this matter at its February meeting.

As to the beef and veal question, it was agreed that this memorandum would be discussed again by the Chief Veterinary Officers under the chairmanship of the Commission, pending submission of formal proposals by the Commission.

TRANSFER OF COMMON WHEAT

The Council agreed to the Regulation on the transfer of 300 000 tonnes of common wheat held by the United Kingdom intervention agency to Italy for disposal in animal feed.

BEEF AND VEAL

After lengthy discussions, and on the basis of a compromise from the Presidency, the Council established by a qualified majority a positive policy position on the matters under discussion.

As to the GATT quota of 50 000 tonnes for frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff at a 20% duty, the allocation for 1986 between the Member States will be as follows:

Benelux	4 765
Denmark	270
Germany	9 645
Greece	2 430
Spain	- (1)
France	5 575
Ireland	455
Italy	13 180
United Kingdom	<u>13 680</u>
	50 000

As regards the estimates, the figures adopted for 1986 were as follows:

- for young male bovine animals intended for fattening:
175 000 head, allocated as follows:

Italy	151 300 head
Greece	23 100 head
Other Member States	600 head

- for beef and veal intended for the processing industry:
25 000 tonnes, with 16 670 tonnes exempt from the levy (system (a)) and 8 330 tonnes under system (b) (reduced levy).

(1) The Spanish delegation waived its share, which was allocated among the other Member States. This will not prejudice the allocation for 1987.

It was also arranged that a special import quota for 1986 should be opened unilaterally for high quality, fresh, chilled or frozen beef (6 000 tonnes) falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) and 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff at zero duty. The European Parliament has been asked for its Opinion on this special quota.

SUGAR

Without prejudice to the Opinion of the European Parliament, the Council at its present meeting reached agreement on the final version of the text concerning the new sugar arrangements in the Community. (See Press Release 11128/85 (Presse 191) of 9 and 10 December 1985).

STARCH

The Council held a detailed discussion on the questions still unresolved in connection with this issue, after which it laid down a number of guidelines.

It instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to examine the points outstanding so that the Council could take a decision on the issue at its next meeting.

SUGAR USED IN THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

The Council noted the stage reached in the discussions on the proposal on the granting of production refunds on sugar used in the chemical industry, an issue very closely linked to the envisaged reform of the system of production refunds in the starch sector.

It instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to make a thorough examination of all aspects of the issue so that the Council could reach an agreement at its next meeting.

RATIONALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF HEALTH CONDITIONS IN SLAUGHTER-
HOUSES IN BELGIUM

Following its statement last May on the particularly serious situation in slaughterhouses, and in Belgium in the first instance, the Council examined the proposal introducing a measure to speed up the rationalization of slaughterhouses in Belgium and their adjustment to Community health standards.

After its discussion, the Council established a common position on this proposal, pending the European Parliament's Opinion.

AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES

The Council was informed of progress on three proposals for specific measures to help remove agricultural or infrastructural handicaps suffered by agriculture in certain areas.

The purpose of these three proposals is to initiate common measures to encourage agriculture:

- by improving the raising of beef cattle in certain less-favoured areas of France within the Massif Central at an estimated cost of 47 MECU over six years;
- in the less-favoured areas of the following regions of Northern Italy: Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Veneto, Trentino-Alto Adige, Lombardy, Valle d'Aosta and Piedmont at an estimated cost of 74,4 MECU over six years;
- in the Scottish islands off the northern and western coasts of Scotland, with the exception of the Western Isles (Outer Hebrides) at an estimated cost of 25 MECU over five years.

The Council instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to expedite its discussions so that the Council could deal with the substance of the matter at one of its meetings in the near future.

HARMONIZATION IN THE AGRICULTURAL AND FOODSTUFFS SECTORS

The President emphasized the importance of harmonization in the veterinary, plant health and foodstuffs sectors, and announced his intention of paying more attention to these questions at the various meetings of the Agriculture Council.

He added that discussions had been actively resumed as from the beginning of January and appealed to all delegations to help to make fresh progress in the coming months towards setting up a genuinely unified market in these sectors.

The Commission endorsed this appeal and particularly stressed the importance of its communication on a new approach to harmonization in the foodstuffs sector, which could improve Community decision-making procedures.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Other agricultural decisions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- laying down general rules for the disposal of alcohol obtained from the distillation operations referred to in Articles 39, 40 and 41 of Regulation (EEC) No 337/79 and held by intervention agencies (see Press Release 11128/85 of 9 and 10 December 1985);
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 2918/85 putting up for sale in Ireland and Northern Ireland, for disposal in feedingstuffs, cereals held by the United Kingdom and Irish intervention agencies. This amendment is designed to adjust the quantity of cereals to be transferred from the United Kingdom, and the date on which the Ireland intervention agency assumes responsibility for them.

Fisheries

The Council extended until 31 December 1986 the validity of Regulations:

- (EEC) No 3721/85 fixing, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, provisional total allowable catches for 1986 and certain conditions under which they may be fished,
- (EEC) No 3730/85 allocating certain quotas among Member States for vessels fishing in the Norwegian economic zone and the fishery zone around Jan Mayen,
- (EEC) No 3734/85 laying down for 1986 certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the flag of Norway,
- (EEC) No 3777/85 amending Regulation (EEC) No 3721/85 fixing, for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks, provisional total allowable catches for 1986 and certain conditions under which they may be fished.

Relations with the Mediterranean countries

The Council authorized the Commission to negotiate agreements in the form of exchanges of letters with Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey concerning the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil originating in those countries (1.11.1985 to 28.2.1986).

GATT

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision on the conclusion of an agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway on trade in cheese.

Trade and customs questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1698/85 of 19 June 1985 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of electronic typewriters originating in Japan (revision of certain calculations of the level of duty necessary to eliminate injury and consideration of certain changes in data for certain firms).

In addition, the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision accepting, on behalf of the Community, the Customs Co-operation Council Recommendation of 16 June 1982 concerning the production of goods declarations by means of computer or other automatic printers.

Research and Atomic Questions

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities,
Decisions:

- authorizing the Commission to negotiate with the Republic of Austria a framework agreement on scientific and technical co-operation;
- amending Decision 82/887/EEC adopting a concerted action project for the European Economic Community in the field of shore-based marine navigation aid systems (extending by one year the period for implementing the action project and adjusting to 2,3 MECU the Community's contribution to co-ordination);
- approving the conclusion by the Commission of a Memorandum of Understanding between the European Atomic Energy Community and the Government of Canada concerning co-operation in the field of fusion research and development.

ECSC

The Council gave assents pursuant to Article 56(2)(a) of the ECSC Treaty, concerning,

- Industriekreditbank AG, Düsseldorf (Germany)
- National Westminster Bank (United Kingdom)
- Bayerische Vereinsbank AG, Munich (Germany)
- Deutsche Bank AG, Düsseldorf (Germany)
- Nord/LB, Norddeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale, Hannover (Germany)
- Westdeutsche Genossenschafts-Zentralbank e.G. (WGZ),
Münster (Germany)
- Banca Nazionale del Lavoro - Sezione speciale per il credito industriale, Rome (Italy)
- Mediocredito piemontese, Turin (Italy)

Appointments

At the proposal of the Italian Government, the Council appointed Mr Paolo MICOLINI member of the Economic and Social Committee in place of Mr Giovanni RAINERO, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 20 September 1986.

In addition, having obtained the opinion of the Commission, the Council appointed the following persons members of the Economic and Social Committee for the period ending 20 September 1986 (see Annex).

ANNEXGrupo 1º. EMPLEADORESTitulares

APARICIO BRAVO, Elias (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales - Confederación Española de la Pequeña y Mediana Empresa)
 CORELL AYORA, Francisco (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 CUENCA VALDIVIA, Miguel de (Confederación Española de la Pequeña y Mediana Empresa)
 MACHADO VON TSCHUSI, Rodolfo (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 MARTIN ALMENDRO, Manuel (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 RIERA MARSA, Federico (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 TERMES CARRERO, Rafael (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)

Suplentes

BAYON BLANCO, Isabel (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 JORDANA BUTTIGAZ DE POZAS, Jorge (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 MATEOS VILLEGAS, Eduardo (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 PERTIERRA RODRIGUEZ, José Luis (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 PLANIOL LACALLE, Cecilia (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 RODRIGUEZ FRANCISCO, José (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)
 TORRES FOJAS, Manuel (Confederación Española de Organizaciones Empresariales)

Grupo 2º. TRABAJADORESTitulares

ZUFIAUR NARVAIZA, José María (Unión General de Trabajadores)
 SANTILLAN CABEZA, Sergio-Ernesto (Unión General de Trabajadores)
 CALVET CHAMBON, Enrique (Unión general de Trabajadores)
 VELASCO MANCEBO, Javier (Comisiones Obreras)

VALLEJO CALDERON, Carlos (Comisiones Obreras)
 GOMEZ MARTINEZ, Luis (Comisiones Obreras)
 LAKA MARTIN, Iñaki (Eusko Langileen Alkartasuna-Solidaridad de Trabajadores Vascos)

Suplentes

FRADES PERNAS, Jaime (Unión General de Trabajadores)
 GONZALEZ ZAMORA, Miguel (Unión General de Trabajadores)
 NOGALES GOMEZ-CORONADO, Rafael (Unión General de Trabajadores)
 SORIANO SALIDO, Pedro Ma. (Comisiones Obreras)
 CARMONA HERRADOR, Antonio (Comisiones Obreras)
 SANCHEZ GARCIA, Rufino (Comisiones Obreras)
 IRAETA QUINTELA, Fernando (Eusko Langileen Alkartasuna-Solidaridad de Trabajadores Vascos)

Grupo 3°. ACTIVIDADES DIVERSAS

Titulares

LANDASURU DE SILVA, Alberto (Consumidores)
 CEBALLO HERRERO, Francisco (Consumidores)
 LARRAÑAGA LIZARRALDE, Jesús (Cooperativismo industrial)
 LOPEZ DE LA PUERTA, Javier (Agricultura)
 MARGALEF MASIA, Pere (Agricultura)
 QUEVEDO ROJO, Leopoldo (Cooperativismo agrario)
 MUÑIZ GUARDADO, Jesús (Pesca)

Suplentes

FORGAS CABRERA, Víctor (Cooperativas)
 SANCHEZ REYES, Carlos (Consumidores)
 ALVAREZ MARTIN, Nieves (Consumidores)
 HERMANO MATEU, José (Agricultura)
 PUXEU ROCAMORA, José (Agricultura)
 DURAN LOPEZ, Modesto (Cooperativismo agrario)
 PARIS URIARTE, Ramón (Pesca)

PRESS RELEASE

4547/86 (Presse 11)

1060th meeting of the Council

- Foreign Affairs -

Brussels, 27 January 1986

President: Mr H. VAN DEN BROEK

Minister for Foreign Affairs
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Leo TINDEMANS Minister for External Relations

Denmark:

Mr Uffe ELLEMANN-JENSEN Minister for Foreign Affairs

Germany:

Mr Hans-Dietrich GENSCHER Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Lutz STAVENTHAGEN Minister of State,
Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Greece:

Mr Théodoros PANGALOS Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

Spain:

Mr Francisco FERNANDEZ ORDOÑEZ Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Pedro SOLBES State Secretary for Relations with
the European Communities

France:

Mr Roland DUMAS Minister for Foreign Relations

Mrs Catherine LALUMIERE State Secretary attached to the
Minister for Foreign Relations
with responsibility for European
Affairs

Ireland:

Mr Peter BARRY Minister for Foreign Affairs

Italy:

Mr Giulio ANDREOTTI Minister for Foreign Affairs

Luxembourg:

Mr Jacques F. POOS Minister for Foreign Affairs

Netherlands:

Mr H. VAN DEN BROEK
Mr W.F. VAN EEKELLEN

Minister for Foreign Affairs
State Secretary for Foreign
Affairs

Portugal:

Mr Pedro PIRES DE MIRANDA
Mr Vitor MARTINS

Minister for Foreign Affairs
State Secretary for European
Integration

United Kingdom:

Mrs Lynda CHALKER

Minister of State, Foreign
and Commonwealth Office

Commission:

Mr Jacques DELORS
Mr Claude CHEYSSON
Mr Willy DE CLERCQ

President
Member
Member

RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES: STEEL

Following the unilateral restrictions imposed by the United States as from 1 January 1986 on semi-finished steel products from the Community, the Council decided to put retaliatory measures into effect pending a satisfactory negotiated solution.

These measures, which will apply from 15 February 1986 to 15 November 1989, consist in annual quotas for certain fertilisers: 512 000 t, fats of bovine cattle: 107 000 t and paper and paper board: 10 000 t (for details see Annex I).

RELATIONS WITH THE EFTA COUNTRIES

The Council took note of a report by Commissioner DE CLERCQ on the progress of the negotiations with the EFTA countries.

The Council also noted that the Commission was shortly to submit an overall compromise proposal covering the arrangements designed to replace on 1 March 1986 the standstill arrangements applicable until that date.

TEXTILES: RENEWAL OF THE MFA AND THE BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

The Council discussed the main problems arising with respect to the Community position to be defined for renegotiation of the MFA and the bilateral textile agreements.

In conclusion, the Council instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to press on with its preparation of the Council's discussions so that the Council could take a decision as soon as possible.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Trade questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decisions:

- authorizing extension or tacit renewal of certain trade agreements concluded between the Member States and third countries;
- authorizing the automatic renewal or continuance in force of certain friendship, trade and navigation treaties and similar agreements concluded between Member States and non-member countries.

Food aid

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Regulation implementing for 1986 Regulation (EEC) No 3331/82 on food-aid policy and food-aid management.

The quantities of products to be made available for 1986 to certain developing countries and certain organizations as food aid are as follows:

- For cereals:
 - (a) an initial instalment of 927 700 tonnes;
 - (b) a second instalment of up to 232 300 tonnes;
- For milk powder: a maximum of 94 100 tonnes;
- For butteroil: a maximum of 27 300 tonnes;
- For sugar: a maximum of 3 900 tonnes;
- For vegetable oil (seed oil and olive oil): a maximum of 8 600 tonnes;
- For other products: quantities equivalent to not more than 121 824 tonnes;
- Food aid in the abovementioned products intended to cover exceptional food shortages, corresponding to not more than 386 700 tonnes of cereal equivalent.

Relations with San Marino

The Council agreed to authorize the Commission to open negotiations with a view to the conclusion of an agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of San Marino in the form of an exchange of letters.

Customs Questions

The Council recorded its agreement on a note to the Syrian Government expressing the concern of the Community and its Member States at the exorbitant customs fines imposed on Member States' shipping lines by the Syrian customs.

Agriculture (*)

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Regulation on the transfer of 300 000 tonnes of common wheat held by the United Kingdom intervention agency to Italy for disposal in animal feed following the excessive drought in that country in the summer of 1985.

The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities:

- the estimate concerning young male bovine animals weighing 300 kilograms or less and intended for fattening for the period 1 January to 31 December 1986;
- the estimate concerning beef and veal intended for the processing industry for the period 1 January to 31 December 1986;
- the Council Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota (50 000 tonnes) for frozen beef and veal falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) of the Common Customs Tariff (1986).

(*) See press release 4346/86 of 20 and 21 January 1986.

Establishment and services

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Directive amending, in view of the accession of Portugal, Directive 85/384/EEC concerning the mutual recognition of diplomas, certificates and other evidence of formal qualifications in architecture, including measures to facilitate the effective exercise of the right of establishment and freedom to provide services.

Appointments

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision appointing two additional members to the Court of Auditors until 17 October 1987 inclusive, viz.:

Mr Carlos Manuel BOTELHO MORENO
Mr Josep SUBIRATS PINANA.

Their CVs are attached.

CCT HEADING NUMBER	NIMEXE CODE (1986) 6)	DESCRIPTION	QUOTA (tonnes)
15.02	15.02-10	A Fats of bovine cattle, sheep and goats, unrendered; rendered or solvent extracted fats (including "premier jus") obtained from these unrendered fats: For industrial uses other than the manufacture of foodstuffs for human consumption	15.02.1986-31.12.1986 93.625 1987 107.000 1988 107.000 01.01.1989-15.11.1989 93.625
31.05	31.05-12	A Other fertilisers; goods of Chapter 31 in tablets, lozenges and similar prepared forms or in packings of a gross weight not exceeding 10 kg.: Other fertilisers: II containing the two fertilising substances: nitrogen and phosphorous: (a) monammonium and diammonium or the phosphates and mixtures thereof	15.02.1986-31.12.1986 448.000 1987 512.000 1988 512.000 01.01.1989-15.11.1989 448.000
48.07	48.07-45	Paper and paper board impregnated, coated, surface-coloured, surface-decorated or printed (not constituting printed matter within Chapter 49) in rolls or sheets ex C Bleached paper and paper board, coated with kaolin or coated or impregnated with artificial plastic materials, weighing 160 grams or more per m ² - otherwise coated than with kaolin	15.02.1986-31.12.1986 8.750 1987 10.000 1988 10.000 01.01.1989-15.11.1989 8.750

Curriculum vitae

CARLOS MANUEL BOTELHO MORENO, married, age 44 (date of birth - 30 March 1941)

Law degree in 1964 from Coimbra University

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- . At the General Inspectorate for Credit and Insurance
 - 1966/1970: - Technical Inspector, 2nd class
 - 1970/1974: - Technical Inspector, 1st class
 - 1974/1976: - Legal Magistrate in charge of the Legal Service
- . At the General Secretariat of the Ministry of Finance and Planning
 - 1977/1979 - Legal Advisor
- . At the Directorate-General of the Treasury
 - from January to August 1980 - Senior Inspector
- . At the Directorate-General of the Accounts Tribunal
 - since August 1980 - Director-General
- . Ministerial private offices
 - 1976/1980: - Technical Collaborator in the private offices of the Minister for Finance and the State Secretaries for the Treasury and Finance, in particular for the banking and public undertaking sectors

UNIVERSITY TEACHING

- . At the Higher Institute of Economics
 - from the 1972/1973 academic year to 1979/1980, lecturer in:
economic law, economic and labour law, commercial law, contract and commercial law and administrative law

BANKING

- from 1977 to 1980, Chairman of the Audit Commission of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino
- since August 1980, voting member of the Audit Board of the Caixa Geral de Depósitos

PUBLISHED WORKS

- Legislação dos Mercados Monetário, Cambial e Financeiro, annotated Coimbra, 1972, out of print - co-author
- Código Comercial, annotated, Lisbon, 1974 - 1st edition; 1976 - 2nd edition; 1977 - 3rd edition; 1978 - 4th edition; 1979 - reprint of 4th edition; 1980 - 5th edition updated - co-author
- Legislação de Empresas, annotated, Lisbon 1976 - co-author
- Manual da Propriedade Horizontal, Lisbon 1978 - 1st edition; 1979 - 2nd edition
- O Tribunal de Contas e o controle das despesas públicas, published in the Revista de Administração Pública (1984)

LANGUAGES

- Portuguese
- French

8 January 1986

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: JOSEP SUBIRATS PIÑANA

Place of birth: Tortosa (Tarragona)

Date of birth: 1 May 1920

Education:

- Doctor of Economics
- Commercial manager
- Chartered accountant
- Professor of Company Taxation Policy, Autonomous University of Barcelona

Positions held:

- Editor of the newspaper "El Pueblo" 1936-1939.
- Editor of the magazine "Ara".
- Senator at the Constituent Assembly in 1977.
- Member of the Senate Congress of Deputies Joint Committee for budgetary and economic matters, public finance and Senate budgets.
- Member of the "Committee of 20" instructed to draw up the fundamental law (estatuto de autonomia) Catalonia.
- Re-elected Senator for Tarragona in 1979.
- Deputy Chairman of the Budget Committee.
- Member of the Committees on Economics and Public Finance, Budgets, Public Health and Social Security, Regulations, the Presidency and of the Standing Committee of the Senate.
- Was a member of the Delegation of representatives of the Assembly of Catalonian Members of Parliament which negotiated the estatuto de autonomia with the Constitutional Committee of the Congress of Deputies.
- Spokesman/Secretary of the Parliamentary Group "Catalunya, Democracia i Socialismo".
- Member of the Standing Committee of the Socialist Group and the latter's co-ordinator in the sphere of the economy, public finance and budgets.
- Contributed to the Senate's reports on the General Budgets of the State from 1978 to 1982 and on the bills on taxation and economics.
- Represented the Senate in the Federal Republic of Germany and at the Council of Europe with regard to tax and economic matters.
- Currently President of the Tax Chamber and Member of the Governing Body of the Court of Auditors.

Publications:

- "Any i mig de Senador" (Tortosa 1979)
- "Amb L'Entesa al Senat" (Tortosa 1982)
- Has written for the "Diario Español", Tarragona; "Avui" and "La Vanguardia", Barcelona; "El Pais", Madrid, and other Catalanian publications;
- Co-author of "Economic and financial control of public finance in a democratic society" (Pamplona 1983) and "The function of Courts of Auditors in a democratic society";
- In 1935 was awarded first prize for journalism by the Press Association of Tortosa.

Languages: French, English and Catalan.

Civil status: married, two children.

PRESS RELEASE

4625/86 (Presse 14)

1061st meeting of the Council
- Internal Market -
Brussels, 4 February 1986

President: Mr W.F. van EEKELEN
State Secretary
for Foreign Affairs
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Paul DE KEERSMAEKER State Secretary for European
Affairs and Agriculture

Denmark:

Mr Jakob RYTTER Deputy Permanent Representative

Germany:

Mr Otto SCHLECHT State Secretary, Federal
Ministry of Economic Affairs

Greece:

Mr Elias LYMBEROPOULOS Deputy Permanent Representative

Spain:

Mr Pedro SOLBES State Secretary for Relations with
the European Communities

France:

Mrs Catherine LALUMIERE State Secretary attached to the
Minister for Foreign Relations,
responsible for European Affairs

Ireland:

Mr John BRUTON Minister for Industry, Trade,
Commerce and Tourism

Italy:

Mr Mario FIORET State Secretary
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Luxembourg:

Mr Johny LAHURE State Secretary for
Economic Affairs

Netherlands:

Mr W.F. van EEKELEN

State Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Portugal:

Mr Carlos Alberto
MARTINS PIMENTA

State Secretary,
Ministry for the Environment
and Natural Resources

United Kingdom:

Mr Alan CLARK

Minister for Trade

Commission:

Lord COCKFIELD

Vice-President

Mr Stanley CLINTON DAVIS

Member

WHITE PAPER

The Council took note of a progress report from the Presidency on the White Paper. It was pointed out that the Council had agreed, at its meeting on 7 October 1985, to examine the matter regularly. The current report covers both progress made in achieving the objectives set for 1985 and some prospects for 1986 in those areas covered by the White Paper which are the direct responsibility of the Internal Market Council and in some cases the responsibility of the Council in some of its other forms.

Stressing how important it felt it was to pursue the discussions energetically, the Council agreed to resume its discussions at its meeting on 18 March next.

AGREEMENT RELATING TO COMMUNITY PATENTS

The Council held an exchange of views on the outcome of the Luxembourg Conference of 4 to 18 December 1985, and in particular the problem of entry into force of the Agreement. The discussion showed how the delegations' positions had evolved since the Conference.

At the close of discussions the Council gave its assessment of the outcome of the Conference. It instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to continue its discussions on the problem of entry into force of the Agreement in the light of the Council's exchange of views, and to prepare for Council discussion of the matter at a future meeting, bearing in mind also the outcome of the proceedings being held in the Community Patent Interim Committee on the few technical questions still unresolved at the end of the Conference.

The Presidency and the Commission will contact the competent authorities of the Member States which are still encountering difficulties with regard to participation in the agreement relating to patents.

ABOLITION OF CERTAIN POSTAL CHARGES FOR CUSTOMS PRESENTATION

The Council continued its examination of the proposal for a Regulation abolishing certain postal charges for customs presentation, which is one of the measures proposed by the Commission in its White Paper and on which the Council is required to decide in the first stage of the action timetable (1985/1986). The proposal is designed to abolish charges for customs presentation for certain parcels which are in transit within the Community.

Following a discussion, during which the delegations which still had reservations showed some flexibility, the Council requested the Permanent Representatives Committee to settle the final doubts.

CONCLUSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE HARMONIZED COMMODITY DESCRIPTION AND CODING SYSTEM FOR USE IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The Council took a favourable view of the conclusion of the International Convention on the Harmonized System and agreed to adopt a formal decision on the matter in due course, when the necessary procedures had been completed.

LIMITATION OF NOISE EMITTED BY HYDRAULIC AND ROPE-OPERATED EXCAVATORS AND BY DOZERS, LOADERS AND EXCAVATOR-LOADERS

The Council continued its examination of the proposal for a Directive on the limitation of noise emitted by hydraulic and rope-operated excavators and by dozers, loaders and excavator-loaders.

It requested the Permanent Representatives Committee to conclude its discussions on the Presidency compromise so that the Directive could be adopted as soon as possible.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Commercial policy/Customs union

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations

- imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain clogs originating in Sweden and definitively collecting the provisional anti-dumping duty
- extending (for a period not exceeding two months) the provisional anti-dumping duty on imports of certain electronic weighing scales originating in Japan.

The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision relating to the co-ordinated development (as part of the CADDIA programme) of computerized administrative procedures (CD project) ⁽¹⁾.

Research/Atomic questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision concerning the conclusion of an Agreement extending until 31 December 1986 and amending (with regard to the financial contribution of the contracting parties) the Community-COST Concertation Agreement on a concerted action project in the field of shore-based marine navigation aid systems (COST Project 301).

The Council took note of a communication from the Commission informing it of the Commission's intention to conclude an IEA implementing agreement between the EAEC and the Joint European Torus (JET) Joint Undertaking on the one hand and the United States of America Department of Energy and the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute on the other concerning co-operation among the three large Tokamak facilities: JET (Europe), JT-60 (Japan) and TFTR (USA).

⁽¹⁾ See Press release 11331/85 (Presse 195) of 12.12.1985.

Appointments

The Council appointed

- on a proposal from the French Government, Mrs M.L. CESARI-WALCH, Division Emploi - Fédération nationale du Bâtiment, a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Security for Migrant Workers in place of Mrs M.J. BAFFOY, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 27 November 1987;
- on a proposal from the Danish Government, Mr Hans Erik JØRGENSEN, Undervisningsinspektør, Undervisningsministeriet, a member of the Advisory Committee on Vocational Training in place of Mrs G. ERSKOV, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 14 July 1987;
- on a proposal from the Irish Government, Miss Rita McARDLE, Assistant Principal Officer, Department of Labour, an alternate member of the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers, in place of Mr R. SHEEHAN, alternate member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 6 October 1987;
- on a proposal from the Commission, Mr Jean-Claude ROQUEPLO, Contrôleur Général des Armées, Détaché de l'Aérospatiale, a member of the Administrative Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions, in place of Mr C. THOMAS, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 17 February 1988;
- on a proposal from the French Government, Mr Hubert DUBEDOUT, Président de l'Association Technique pour les Importations de Charbon, a member of the Consultative Committee of the European Coal and Steel Community in place of Mr A. AUDIAT, member, who has died, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 17 February 1987.



COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
GENERAL SECRETARIAT



PRESS RELEASE

4905/86 (Presse 17)

1062nd meeting of the Council

- Foreign Affairs -

Luxembourg, 17 and 18 February 1986

Presidents: Mr H. VAN DEN BROEK

Minister for Foreign Affairs
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

and

Mr F. BOLKENSTEIN

Minister for Foreign Trade
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Leo TINDEMANS	Minister for External Relations
Mr Paul DE KEERSMAEKER	State Secretary for European Affairs and Agriculture
Mr H. DE CROO	Minister for Foreign Trade

Denmark:

Mr Knud-Erik TYGESEN	State Secretary Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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Germany:

Mr Hans-Dietrich GENSCHER	Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Martin BANGEMANN	Federal Minister for Economic Affairs
Mr Lutz STAVENHAGEN	Minister of State, Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Greece:

Mr Théodoros PANGALOS	Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Georges KATSIFARAS	State Secretary for Trade

Spain:

Mr Francisco FERNANDEZ ORDOÑEZ	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Pedro SOLBES	State Secretary for Relations with the European Communities
Mr Luis DE VELASCO	State Secretary for Trade

France:

Mr Roland DUMAS	Minister for Foreign Relations
Mrs Catherine LALUMIERE	State Secretary attached to the Minister for Foreign Relations with responsibility for European Affairs

Ireland:

Mr Peter BARRY	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr George BERMINGHAM	Minister of State for Foreign Affairs
Mr Edward COLLINS	Minister of State at the Department of Trade

Italy:

Mr Giulio ANDREOTTI	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Giovanni PRANDINI	State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Trade

Luxembourg:

Mr Robert GOEBBELS	State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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Netherlands:

Mr H. VAN DEN BROEK	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr W.F. VAN EEKELEN	State Secretary for Foreign Affairs
Mr F. BOLKENSTEIN	Minister for Foreign Trade

Portugal:

Mr Pedro PIRES DE MIRANDA	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Victor MARTINS	State Secretary for European Integration

United Kingdom:

Mrs Lynda CHALKER

Minister of State, Foreign
and Commonwealth Office

Mr Alan CLARK

Secretary of State for Trade

Commission:

Mr Frans H.J.J. ADRIESSEN

Vice-President

Mr Claude CHEYSSON

Member

Mr Willy DE CLERCQ

Member

RELATIONS WITH THE EFTA COUNTRIES

The Council discussed the overall solution submitted to it by the Commission following its talks with the EFTA countries on the basis of the Council's discussions in December 1985 and January 1986. It agreed to the essence of the outcome of the Commission's talks, subject to certain adjustments to be made to specific aspects of this overall solution.

The Council accordingly requested the Commission to resume negotiations with the EFTA countries on the basis of its discussions that day and to inform it of the outcome of the negotiations as soon as possible.

The Council requested the Commission to submit to it without delay the corresponding autonomous measures intended - pending the entry into force of the protocols of adaptation - to supersede, from 1 March, the standstill arrangements which expire at the end of February.

RELATIONS WITH EGYPT

The Council prepared the Community position for the 4th meeting at ministerial level of the EEC-Egypt Co-operation Council, which was held in the evening of Monday 17 February 1986. See attached Press Release CEE-RAE 2803/86 (Presse 19) of 17 February.

RELATIONS WITH THE ACP STATES - SUGAR

The Council prepared the Community position for the special meeting of the ACP-EEC Council of Ministers on guaranteed prices for preferential sugar for the 1985/1986 marketing year, to be held in Brussels on 4 March 1986.

EEC-JAPAN RELATIONS

The Council held a policy debate on the basis of the recent Commission communication.

It reaffirmed the conclusions it had reached on 19 March and 22 October 1985.

The Council agreed to resume its detailed discussion of the problem of relations with Japan at its next meeting.

TEXTILES - RENEWAL OF THE MFA AND BILATERAL AGREEMENTS

The Council held a detailed discussion on the directives to be given to the Commission for the renewal of the Multifibre Arrangement and the bilateral textiles agreements. It reached agreement or broad consensus on a number of fundamental points.

The Council agreed to finalize the package of directives at its next meeting. To that end, it instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee and the Article 113 Committee to prepare for its discussion on all points still outstanding.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Customs Union

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, Regulations:

- amending the list in the Annex to Regulation (EEC) No 2763/83 as regards arrangements for processing under customs control;
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for
 - = a certain variety of polyvinylpyrrolidone falling within subheading ex 39.02 C XIV a) of the Common Customs Tariff (130 tonnes)
 - = certain polyethylene sheets falling within subheading ex 39.01 C II a) of the Common Customs Tariff (150 tonnes)
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 1531/85 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for ferro-phosphorus falling within subheading ex 28.55 of the Common Customs Tariff
- repealing, following the accession of Portugal, Regulations (EEC) No 1523/85, No 1524/85, No 1525/85, No 1526/85 and No 1527/85 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain wines falling within subheading ex 22.05 C of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Portugal (1985/1986)
- amending, following the accession of Spain, Regulations (EEC) No 1520/85, No 1521/85 and No 1522/85 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain wines falling within subheading ex 22.05 C of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain (1985/1986)
- laying down rules for the application by Spain and Portugal of quantitative restrictions on fishery products
- amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Regulations (EEC) No 3132/85, No 3130/85 and No 3131/85 opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for certain products falling within heading No 08.03, Chapter 27 and heading 55.09 of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Spain (1986)

Relations with the EFTA countries

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, Regulations on the application of Decisions No 2/85 of the EEC/EFTA countries Joint Committees supplementing Annexes II and III to Protocol 3 concerning the definition of the concept of originating products and methods of administrative co-operation by the addition of alternative percentage rules for the products of Chapters 84 to 92 of the Customs Co-operation Council Nomenclature.

The Council also adopted the Joint Community position on the draft Decisions of the EEC-EFTA countries Joint Committees supplementing and amending Lists A and B in the Annex to Protocol 3 concerning the definition of the concept of originating products and methods of administrative co-operation.

Relations with Malta

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Regulation on the application of Decision No 1/86 of the EEC-Malta Association Council again amending Articles 6 and 17 of the Protocol concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and the methods of administrative co-operation.

Relations with the Mediterranean countries

The Council took a decision to sign, and adopt in the official languages of the Communities, the Regulations on the conclusion of Agreements in the form of Exchanges of Letters with Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey fixing the additional amount to be deducted from the levy on imports into the Community of untreated olive oil, originating in those countries, and the implementing regulations relating to those Agreements.

Law of Treaties between States and International Organizations
- "Vienna II" Conference

The Council adopted the Decision concerning supplementary directives for negotiations on the draft Articles prepared by the United Nations International Law Commission on the Law of Treaties between States and International Organizations or between International Organizations, to be submitted as the basic proposal for consideration at the United Nations Conference to be held in Vienna from 18 February to 21 March 1986.

Commodities

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Regulation amending on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Regulation (EEC) No 3761/83 on the application of the system of certificates of origin provided for under the International Coffee Agreement 1983, when quotas are in effect.

Culture

The Ministers meeting within the Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Resolution of the Ministers responsible for cultural affairs meeting within the Council on the establishment of transnational cultural itineraries (see Press Release 11572/85 (Presse 204) of 20 December 1985).

ECSC

The Council gave its assent under Article 54, second paragraph, of the ECSC Treaty to the granting of a global loan to the Bank für Gemeinwirtschaft AG, Frankfurt.

Appointments

The Council appointed:

- on a proposal from the French Government, Mr Jean-Luc FRIZOL as an alternate member of the Advisory Committee on the Training of Dental Practitioners, to replace Dr Pierre LABROUSSE for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 10 October 1986.
 - on a proposal from the Netherlands Government, Mr M. HULSEGGE, as a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Security for Migrant Workers, to replace Mr F. PRINS for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 27 November 1987.
 - on a proposal from the United Kingdom Government, Mr L.W. LEWIS and Mr R. GRANTHAM, as members of the European Social Fund Committee, to replace Mr J.S. LAMBERT and Mr W.H. KEYS for the remainder of their term of office, which runs until 11 December 1987 and Mrs P. TURNER as an alternate member of the European Social Fund Committee, to replace Mr F.A. BAKER for the remainder of his term of office, which runs until 11 December 1987.
 - on a proposal from the Commission, Mr Jean LAFOSSE-MARIN as a member of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training, to replace Miss M.J. MONTALESCOT for the remainder of her term of office, which runs until 16 December 1988.
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PRESS RELEASE

5120/86 (Presse 21)

1063rd meeting of the Council
- Agriculture -
Brussels, 24 and 25 February 1986

Presidents:

Mr Gerrit BRAKS
Minister for Agriculture
of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

and

Mr Michael JOPLING
Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food of
of the United Kingdom

The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Paul DE KEERSMAEKER State Secretary for European
Affairs and Agriculture

Denmark:

Mr Niels Anker KOFOED Minister for Agriculture

Germany:

Mr Ignaz KIECHLE Federal Minister for Food,
Agriculture and Forestry

Greece:

Mr Yiannis POTTAKIS Minister for Agriculture

Spain:

Mr Carlos ROMERO HERRERA Minister for Agriculture

France:

Mr Henri NALLET Minister for Agriculture

Ireland:

Mr Austin DEASY Minister for Agriculture

Italy:

Mr Filippo Maria PANDOLFI Minister for Agriculture
Mr Giulio SANTARELLI State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture

LUXEMBOURG:

Mr Marc FISCHBACH Minister for Agriculture and
Viticulture

Mr René STEICHEN State Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture and
Viticulture

Netherlands:

Mr Gerrit BRAKS

Minister for Agriculture

Portugal:

Mr Alvaro BARETTO

Minister for Agriculture

United Kingdom:

Mr Michael JOPLING

Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food

Mr John GUMMER

Minister of State,
Ministry of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food

Commission:

Mr Frans H.J.J. ANDRIESSEN

Vice-President

FIXING OF PRICES FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND CERTAIN RELATED MEASURES - ADJUSTMENT OF THE COMMON ORGANIZATION OF MARKETS

The Council held a detailed exchange of views on the Commission proposals for

- the fixing of farm prices for the 1986/1987 marketing year,
- the adjustment of the common organization of markets in the cereals and beef and veal sectors.

This first general discussion allowed delegations to adopt positions on all these proposals, particularly on the points of special interest.

The Council asked the Special Committee on Agriculture to continue studying the dossier so that the Council could resume discussions at its meeting on 24 and 25 March 1986.

STARCH PRODUCTS - SUGAR USED IN THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

The Council recorded broad political agreement on the outlines of a compromise on the production refund arrangements applicable both to starch products and to sugar used in the chemical industry.

AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES

On the basis of a report from the Chairman of the Special Committee on Agriculture, the Council discussed the questions outstanding in the dossier covering three proposals for specific measures to help remove agricultural or infrastructural handicaps suffered by agriculture in certain areas.

The purpose of these three proposals is to initiate common measures to encourage agriculture:

- by improving the raising of beef cattle in certain less-favoured areas of France within the Massif Central at an estimated cost of 47 MECU over six years;
- in the less-favoured areas of the following regions of Northern Italy: Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Veneto, Trentino-Alto Adige, Lombardy, Valle d'Aosta and Piedmont at an estimated cost of 74,4 MECU over six years;
- in the Scottish islands off the northern and western coasts of Scotland, with the exception of the Western Isles (Outer Hebrides) at an estimated cost of 25 MECU over five years.

Following these discussions, the Council recorded agreement in principle on these three proposals pending the formal decision to be taken once the European Parliament's Opinion was received.

DEFINITIVE DISCONTINUATION OF MILK PRODUCTION

The Council examined a Commission proposal to fix compensation for the definitive discontinuation of milk production.

While recognizing the disturbing situation on the milk market on account of the imbalance between production and outlets and in view of the current stocks, it was noted that there were still differences of opinion, particularly with regard to the rules for applying the proposal.

After a discussion the Council invited the Special Committee on Agriculture to discuss the matter further and report back to the next Council meeting in March.

COMMUNITY ACTION IN THE FORESTRY SECTOR

The Council took note of the following statements:

- from the President on the findings of the International Conference on forests and trees held in Paris from 5 to 7 February on the initiative of the President of the French Republic.

The President reiterated that he intended to continue joint policy discussions at Community level on the future of European forests;

- from the Commission representative confirming that the Commission intended to submit proposals on this issue shortly as a follow-up to the memorandum already submitted to the Council.

AID FOR ITALIAN OLIVE GROWERS

The Council heard a statement from the Italian delegation pointing out the urgent need for a decision on aid for Italian olive growers who suffered as a result of bad weather in January 1985.

The Commission representative stated that the Commission had recently submitted a proposal to the Council in this connection to provide aid for reconstituting and converting olive groves damaged by frost.

the Council instructed the Special Committee on Agriculture to examine the question and to report back as soon as possible;

IMITATION PRODUCTS IN THE MILK SECTOR

The Council noted:

- a request from the German delegation drawing attention to the problems raised by imitation products, particularly in the milk sector, and the desirability of taking the necessary measures in this area;
- the reply from the Commission representative confirming that the Commission would report to the Council on the matter before 1 April 1986.

MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PROTECTION FOR THE INTENSIVE REARING OF CALVES

The Council noted:

- a request from the German delegation inviting the Commission to submit as soon as possible a proposal aimed at harmonizing national measures regarding minimum standards of protection for the intensive rearing of calves;
- the reply from the Commission representative stating that the Commission would resume preparatory discussions in this connection in the course of the current year.

APPLICATION FOR THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

With a view to applying the provisions of the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal in the agricultural sector as from 1 March 1986, the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a range of Regulations and Directives on the application of the common organization of markets in various agricultural sectors, the arrangements for trade between the Community of Ten and the two new Member States and the arrangements for the latter with third countries.

SMT

Regarding the supplementary mechanism applicable to trade (SMT), the Council adopted the Regulation laying down general rules for the application of the SMT as from 1 March 1986 by a qualified majority.

The aim of the mechanism was to monitor trade patterns by means of certificates and to apply the measures laid down in the Act of Accession. It took into account the principle that Community goods could not be treated less favourably than products from third countries.

Agricultural exchange rates for the Spanish peseta and the Portuguese escudo

The Council adopted a Regulation fixing the agricultural exchange rates for the Spanish peseta and the Portuguese escudo.

The rates were as follows: 1 ECU = 144 382 pesetas
1 ECU = 150 355 escudos.

Other application measures:

- Regulation amending Regulations (EEC) No 1598/85 and No 1599/85 on the opening, allocation and administration of Community tariff quotas for cattle of certain mountain breeds;

- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the intervention prices applicable in Spain to cereals and rice
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the prices of sugar and sugar beet applicable in Spain and Portugal
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the intervention prices for olive oil in Spain and Portugal and the production aid applicable in Spain.
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the target price and the intervention price for colza, rape and sunflower seed applicable in Spain and Portugal
- Council Regulation fixing the guide price and the minimum price for soya beans applicable in Spain and Portugal in 1985/1986.
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the guide prices for linseed applicable in Spain and Portugal.
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the guide prices applicable to dried fodder in Spain and Portugal
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the activating threshold price, the guide price and the minimum price for peas, field beans and sweet lupins applicable in Spain and Portugal
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the guide price for unginned cotton applicable in Spain

- Council Regulation laying down general rules for applying the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal as regards the processing of oranges and lemons
- Council Regulation laying down, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, rules on the production aid system in respect of processed fruit and vegetables
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the guide prices applicable in Spain for wine
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the intervention prices for butter and skimmed-milk powder applicable in Spain in the milk and milk products sector
- Council Regulation fixing, for the 1985/1986 marketing year, the intervention price applicable in Spain for beef
- Council Regulation fixing the amounts of the aid for seed applicable in Spain and Portugal for the 1985/1986, 1986/1987 and 1987/1988 marketing years
- Council Regulation determining the general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for milk and milk products on account of the accession of Spain
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for cereals on account of the accession of Spain
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for rice on account of the accession of Spain

- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts in the sugar sector
- Council Regulation laying down general rules governing the system of accession compensatory amounts relating to beef and veal
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for eggs on account of the accession of Spain
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for poultrymeat on account of the accession of Spain
- Council Regulation laying down the general rules for the system of accession compensatory amounts for olive oil
- Council Regulation making special arrangements for the granting of the olive oil production aid in Spain during the period 1 March to 31 October 1986
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the system for controlling the prices and the quantities of certain products in the oils and fats sector released for consumption in Spain
- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the mechanism for controlling the prices and the quantities of certain products in the oils and fats sector released for consumption in Portugal
- Council Regulation adopting appropriate measures for trade in processed oil products with Spain or Portugal

- Council Regulation laying down the method of adjustment of the refund and the aid for colza, rape and sunflower seeds produced or processed in Spain and Portugal
- Council Regulation determining the exceptional cases in which coupage of red Spanish wines with red wines of the other Member States, derived from certain varieties of grape and originating in certain regions of the Community, shall be allowed
- Council Regulation laying down general rules of application of the regulatory amounts applicable to trade in certain wine sector products between the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985 and Spain
- Council Regulation on adjustment, during the period of application of the regulatory amounts, of the average price for table wine established for each representative Spanish market
- Council Regulation determining the wines produced in Portugal that are to be treated as quality wines produced in specified regions falling within heading No 22.05 of the Common Customs Tariff
- Council Regulation fixing the level of quantitative restrictions in Spain for certain fruit and vegetables coming from the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985
- Council Regulation on the Community financing of withdrawals of fruit and vegetables in Spain during the first phase
- Council Regulation amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal Regulation (EEC) No 991/84 limiting the production aid granted in respect of certain fruits in syrup
- Council Regulation making special arrangements for the granting of the cotton production aid in Spain during the period 1 March to 31 August 1986

- Council Regulation laying down general rules for the components intended to ensure protection of the processing industry in the cereals and rice sector and fixing those relating to Spain
- Council Regulation extending until 28 February 1986 the arrangements provided for by the temporary mutual-restraint agreement between Spain and the European Economic Community on imports of cheese into Spain
- Council Directive amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Directives 73/132/EEC and 78/53/EEC relating to the statistical surveys to be carried out by Member States on bovine livestock
- Council Directive amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Directive 72/280/EEC on the statistical surveys to be carried out by Member States on milk and milk products
- Council Directive amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Directive 82/177/EEC on the statistical surveys to be carried out by Member States on sheep and goat stocks
- Council Directive amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Directive 76/630/EEC concerning surveys of pig production to be carried out by Member States
- Council Directive amending, on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Directive 76/625/EEC concerning the statistical surveys to be carried out by the Member States in order to determine the production potential of plantations of certain species of fruit trees
- Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No 1463/84 on the organization of surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings for 1985 and 1987

- Council Regulation amending on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal, Regulation (EEC) No 357/79 on statistical surveys of areas under vines
- Council Regulation laying down detailed rules concerning quantitative restrictions on imports into Spain of certain agricultural products from third countries
- Council Regulation fixing for 1986 the initial quota applicable to Portugal for certain milk products coming from the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985
- Council Regulation fixing, for 1986, the initial quotas applicable to Portuguese imports from the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985 of certain products in the egg and poultrymeat sectors
- Council Regulation setting the initial quantitative restriction on the imports from third countries of meat of domestic rabbits into Portugal
- Council Regulation fixing, for 1986, the initial quotas applicable to Portuguese imports from the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985 of certain products in the pigmeat sector
- Council Regulation fixing the initial quantitative restrictions on the import into Portugal of certain processed fruit and vegetable products from third countries
- Council Regulation fixing the initial quantitative restrictions on the import into Portugal of certain floricultural products from third countries

- Council Regulation fixing, for 1986, the initial quota that the Portuguese Republic may apply to certain wines coming from the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985
- Council Regulation fixing, for 1986, the initial quota that the Portuguese Republic may apply to certain wines coming from the Community as constituted on 31 December 1985
- Council Regulation fixing the initial quantitative restrictions for imports into Portugal of oilcake from third countries
- Council Regulation fixing, for 1986, the initial quota which may be applied by the Portuguese Republic for certain fruit and vegetables coming from the Community as constituted at 31 December 1985
- Council Regulation laying down detailed rules for quantitative restrictions on the import into Portugal of certain agricultural products from the Canary Islands

Adoption in the official languages of the Communities of a Council Regulation on transitional arrangements for trade between Spain and the other Member States and between Spain and third countries in glucose and lactose covered by Regulation (EEC) No 2730/75 and in ovalbumin and lactalbumin covered by Regulation (EEC) No 2583/75

Adoption in the official languages of the Communities of Council Regulation authorizing the Kingdom of Spain and the Portuguese Republic to include national subdivisions for certain agricultural products within the Common Customs Tariff nomenclature

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Other agricultural decisions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Council Regulation on the common organization of the market in products processed from fruit and vegetables.

The Council also took note of the tenth Commission communication to the Council concerning the programme for the utilization of co-responsibility levy funds in the milk sector for the 1986/1987 milk year.

Fisheries

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- fixing, for the period from 3 March 1986 to 30 June 1986, certain measures for the conservation and management of fishery resources applicable to vessels flying the Japanese flag in waters falling under the sovereignty or jurisdiction of Portugal;
- on the application of Protocol No 4 on the mechanism for additional responsibilities within the framework of fisheries agreements concluded by the European Economic Community with third countries;
- concerning the conclusion of an Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar on fishing off the coast of Madagascar;
- opening tariff quotas for the importation into Spain of certain fishery products falling within headings 03.01, 03.03 and 16.04 and subheading 23.01 B of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the Canary Islands (1986);
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of tariff quotas for certain fishery products falling within headings 03.01, 03.03 and 16.04 and subheading 23.01 B of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in the Canary Islands (1986);
- fixing, for the period 1 March to 31 December 1986, the guide prices for certain fishery products listed in Annex I A and E of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81 and amending Regulation (EEC) No 3602/85 as regards the guide price for Atlantic sardines and anchovies.

Species	Commercial specifications ⁽¹⁾			Guide price (ECU/tonnes)
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
<u>Annex I (A) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81</u>				
Spanish mackerel (scomber japonicus)	Extra, A	1, 2	Whole fish	283
Megrim (Lepidorhombus sp.p)	Extra, A	1, 2	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	1 850
Ray's bream (Brama sp.p.)	Extra, A	1	Whole fish	1 500
Monkfish (Lophius sp.p)	Extra, A	2, 3	Whole, gutted, with head	2 100
	Extra, A	2, 3	Without head	5 040
<u>Annex I (E) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81</u>				
Edible crab (Cancer pagurus)	-	1	Whole	1 500
Norway lobster (Nephrops norvegicus)	E, A	1, 2	Whole	4 400
	E, A	2	Tails	10 600

⁽¹⁾ The freshness categories, sizes and presentation are defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81.

Species	Commercial specifications (1)			Guide prices (ECU/tonnes)
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation	
Atlantic sardines (sardina pilchardus)				
- Member States other than Spain and Portugal	Extra	3	whole fish	527
- Spain, Portugal	Extra	3	whole fish	333
Anchovy (Engraulis sp.p.)				
- Member States other than Spain	Extra	2	whole fish	641
- Spain	Extra	2	whole fish	1 153

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The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision on the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters concerning an interim extension of the Protocol annexed to the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Senegal and the European Economic Community on fishing off the coast of Senegal for the period 16 January 1986 to 30 April 1986.

Trade and customs union questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision concerning the conclusion of an Exchange of Letters between the European Economic Community and the Government of Canada concerning exports of boneless manufacturing beef from the Community to Canada.

The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- on the basic duties to be applied in the ten-Member Community for calculating the successive reductions provided for in the Act of Accession of Spain and Portugal;
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for coffee, unroasted and not freed of caffeine, and cocoa beans, whole or broken, falling within heading and subheading 09.01 A I a) and 18.01 of the Common Customs Tariff;
- amending on account of the accession of Spain and Portugal Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 288/82 on common rules for imports;
- concerning the definition of the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative co-operation in trade between the customs territory of the Community, Ceuta and Melilla and the Canary Islands;
- determining the arrangements to be applied by the Kingdom of Spain and the Portuguese Republic to trade with certain third countries.

Research

The council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision concerning the conclusion of an Agreement extending and amending the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Swiss Confederation on a concerted-action project in the field of the detection of the tendency to thrombosis.

ECSC

The Council gave its assent pursuant to Article 56(2)(a) of the ECSC Treaty with respect to the Norddeutsche Genossenschaftsbank AG, Hannover (Germany).

The Council also gave a consultation on the draft Commission recommendation on the establishment of preferential treatment of debts in respect of the levies referred to in Articles 49 and 50 of the ECSC Treaty.

Social Affairs

The Council recorded its agreement on the guidelines for the Community's participation in the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (Vienna, 24 February to 5 March 1986).
