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PREFACE

Continuing the tradition of holding a session in the country of the President, the Consultative Committee met on 29 September 1975 in Rome.

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On 4 November 1975, six workers of the British Steel Corporation were killed by a blast-furnace explosion in Scunthorpe.

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Mr Jozef OOMS, a member of the workers' category in the Consultative Committee, died on 26 November 1975. Mr Ooms had been a member of the Committee since June 1974.

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Mr Jack FRYE, a member of the consumers/dealers category in the Consultative Committee, died on 7 December 1975. Mr Frye had been a member of the Committee since January 1973.

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The President of the Committee, Mr CAPANNA, accompanied by Vice-President Mr ARNAUD, had a meeting on 11 December 1975 in Brussels with Mr CANONGE, President of the Economic and Social Committee.

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Mr Léon MOURET, who had been Secretary to the Consultative Committee since 1969, reached retirement age on 6 March 1976. His successor is Mr Jean DANIS.

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Mr DE LA VALLEE POUSSIN, Chairman of the Subcommittee for Research Projects, attended a meeting of the Social Affairs section of the Economic and Social Committee on 11 March 1976 in Brussels.

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The traditional luncheon for members of the Bureau, the enlarged Bureau and the Subcommittee Chairmen was given by Mr SIMONET, Vice-President of the European Commission, in Luxembourg on 10 June 1976.

CHAPTER I

HEARINGS AND EXCHANGES OF VIEWS

1) Hearings requested by the Commission of  
the European Community

a) Pursuant to Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty,

- on the forward programme for coal and steel based on Article 46  
of the Treaty

COAL

	Date of submission by Commission	Discussions in subcommittee	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
1975 - Review	15.9.1975	-	172nd Session 29.9.1975
1976 - Submission	3.3.1976	-	176th Session 12.3.1976

STEEL

October-December 1975 - Submission for 3 months	19.9.1975	-	172nd Session 29.9.1975
January-March 1976 - Submission for 3 months	12.12.1975	-	174th Session 12.12.1975
April-June 1976 Submission for 3 months	5.3.1976	-	176th Session 12.3.1976
July-September 1976 - Submission for 3 months	10.6.1976	-	177th Session 10.6.1976

b) Pursuant to Article 19, paragraph 1, first sentence of the Treaty,

- Consultation on a draft Decision (ECSC) of the Commission on the unit of account used in ECSC financial dealings.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 23.7.1975.

Consultative Committee consulted at 172nd Session of 29.9.1975.

c) Pursuant to Article 55 (2c) of the Treaty

- on the desirability of making the following financial aid (research + ancillary costs) available from the levy funds pursuant to Article 50 of the Treaty

Research Project	Amount in u.a.	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Development work (coal mines)	1 990 830	23.10.1975	174th Session 12.12.1975
Methane, rock pressure and supports	2 079 720	"	"
Coal winning techniques	4 872 006	"	"
Outbye services underground	120 222	"	"
Coking and briquetting of coal	2 805 246	"	"
New physical and chemical processes	1 888 020	"	"
		Dissemination of information for these research projects 412 681 u.a.	
Influence of zinc and alkaline metals on reduction and gasification in the blast furnace	103 428	23.10.1975	174th Session 12.12.1975
Controlled cooling of steel wire	306 285	"	"
Measurement of welding defects in very thick welded steel by non-destructive testing	123 312	"	"
Testing of a method of inspecting sections to detect shape defects	211 971	"	"
Detector for surface defects on sheet from a skin-pass mill	71 534	"	"
Low-temperature under-water welding	123 312	"	"

Research Project	Amount in u.a.	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Determination of the critical values of inclusion dimensions for various applications	213 087	23.10.1975	174th Session 12.12.1975
Measurement and interpretation of dynamic loads in bridges (joint programme)	170 347	"	"
Influence of galvanizing conditions on the zinc coating properties - application to contract galvanizing	122 079	"	"
Study of the effect of the silicon content of the steel in hot-dip galvanizing	55 905	"	"
Slag handbook	15.530	"	"
Building with hollow sections in steel	74 540	"	"
		Dissemination of information for the above projects 47 742 u.a.	
Suppression of firedamp ignitions caused by frictional sparking	30 604	23.10.1975	174th Session 12.12.1975
The effects of shotfiring in coal or stone on strata conditions and explosive charges under conditions obtaining in coal mining practice	63 358	"	"
Investigation of the effect of mine explosions on the human body	93 174	"	"
Investigation into the propagation and composition of explosion fumes	126 716	"	"
Protection of electrical equipment in the presence of firedamp	220 677	"	"
		Dissemination of information for the above projects 16 036 u.a.	



Research Project	Amount in EUA*	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Improvement of economic efficiency in the mining of lean domestic iron ores	526 500	26.5.76	177th Session 10.6.1976
Study of coke grades	25 000	"	"
Degradation of coke and its relationship with coke properties and blast furnace performance	558 900	"	"
Tests of cokes produced by mixtures containing non-coking coals	399 125	"	"
Direct charging of coal at the blast furnace throat	412 800	"	"
Investigation of hot sinter screening machines	310 800	"	"
Thermal optimization of the sintering process as regards sinter quality	162 000	"	"
Introduction of new burden variation technologies to blast furnace operation	260 400	"	"
Review and compilation of thermochemical data	161 100	"	"
Physical properties of slags	92 700	"	"
Determination of the distribution of non-metallic inclusions in steel from precipitation of insoluble or partly soluble metals at the solidification front	170 700	"	"
Metallurgical inspection in continuous casting plant	387 000	"	"
Determination of the steel level and casting detachment process in the mould of a continuous casting machine	141 300	"	"

\* From 1.1.1976, the new European Unit of Account was used in calculation of costs.

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Control of pure oxygen refining with bottom blowing	277 500	26.5.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976
Basic properties of high-intensity arcs and steelmaking	227 100	"	"
Experiments with flat suspended roofs on electrical steelmaking furnaces	36 600	"	"
Preheating of the charge in an electric arc furnace	1 444 160	"	"
Repair of steel furnaces by spraying	188 700	"	"
Beam rolling	430 500	"	"
Continuous neutral electrolytic pickling process	174 600	"	"
Reduction of wear on roller tables and coilers	396 000	"	"
Non-destructive methods for hairline cracking	57 300	"	"
Method of measuring the surface temperatures of rolling stock and rolls and its use for thermal flatness control	117 000	"	"
Development and testing of short load cells	83 400	"	"
Collaborative studies on stress wave emission	200 100	"	"
Automatic non-destructive testing for the assessment of steel quality	147 600	"	"
Advancement of surface inspection instrumentation for cold-rolled steel strip	210 000	"	"
Use of acoustic emission techniques to investigate metallurgical phenomena	200 100	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Electro-magnetic acoustic scanning applied to hot steel semis	185 100	26.5.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976
Detection and location of defects in welds and in the parent metal of welded pipelines by means of acoustic emission analysis	214 500	"	"
Continuous measurement of coating thickness on sheet	167 700	"	"
Application of optical telemetry to the inspection of hot-rolled sheets and beams	237 000	"	"
Industrial application of the hot ultrasonic testing process to the inspection of rimming steel slab shearing	298 800	"	"
Continuous measurement of dissolved oxygen in steel melts using E.M.K. probes	221 100	"	"
Purchase of an electromagnet	5 400	"	"
Inspection device for detection of surface defects on cold strip with appropriate signal processing	206 400	"	"
Investigation of the properties of welds made underwater	181 800		
New techniques for joining steel	167 100	"	"
Study of passivation phenomena on timpla and galvanized steel	165 600	"	"
Drawability of cold rolled sheet	966 500	"	"
Safety conditions for welded structures using wide-plate tests	199 500	"	"
Fracture behaviour of gas transmission pipelines. Further full-scale and laboratory tests	525 900	"	"

Research Project	Amount in EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Relation between micro-structure and mechanical properties	258 000	26.5.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976
Formation conditions and properties of oxide films on non-oriented electrical strip, effect on material quality	398 100	"	"
Metallographic atlas	24 000	"	"
Composite steel-concrete beams	27 000	"	"
Determination of the fire rating of concrete-filled hollow sections	126 600	"	"
Multi-purpose steel joint for steel structures for the building industry	63 600	"	"
Manuel on the durability of steel structures in relation to atmospheric corrosion	74 500	"	"
Measurement and interpretation of dynamic loads on bridges	70 500	"	"
Optimization of the alternating stress of drive systems	264 300	"	"
Improvement of calculation and design data for heavy engineering components liable to fatigue failure	357 900	"	"
Fatigue and corrosion fatigue behaviour of offshore steel structures	3 377 100	"	"
Investigation of L D slags for use in road construction	426 000	"	"
		Dissemination of information for the above projects 510 249 EUA	

Research Project	Amount in. EUA	Date of Commission Application	Date of opinion of Consultative Committee
Third medical research programme on Chronic Respiratory Diseases	5 000 000	26.5.76	177th Session 10 June 1976

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

Units of account

- RESEARCH COSTS ..... 15 881 915 u.a.  
- ANCILLARY COSTS ..... 476 459 u.a.

European Units of Account

- RESEARCH COSTS ..... 22 008 285 EUA  
- ANCILLARY COSTS ..... 510 249 EUA

d) Pursuant to Article 61 b) of the Treaty,

- on the introduction of a measure fixing minimum prices for iron and steel products within the Common Market.

Requested by the Commission on 23.12.1975

Discussed in the Subcommittee for Markets and Prices on 9.1.1976

Opinion of Consultative Committee was given in document no. A/325/1/76 after the 175th Session of 19.1.1976.

e) Pursuant to Article 95, paragraph 1 of the Treaty,

- on a draft Decision of the Commission regarding the Community system of measures taken by Member States to assist the coalmining industry.

Consultation requested by the Commission on 9.9.1975.

Consultation prepared by the Subcommittee for Markets and Prices on 16.10.1975

Consultation held with the Consultative Committee at the 173rd Session of 14.11.1975 and a vote was taken at the 174th Session of 12.12.1975.

Opinion given in Document no. A/3447/2/75.

- on the introduction of the new unit of account (EUA) for coking coal.

Consultation requested 25.2.1976

Consultation held at the 176th Session of 12.3.1976.

2) Opinion requested by the Commission of  
the European Commission

Subject of opinion	Date of Commission application	Date of discussion		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
General Objectives Steel - 1980/85	13.1.1976	General Objectives 4.2.1976	176th Session 12.3.1976	Report prepared by Mr DICHGANS on the economic aspects (Doc.A/658/2/76)
		+ 25.2.1976  Labour Problems 13.2.1976		Report prepared by Mr MØLLER on the social aspects (Doc. A/823/1/76)



3) Exchanges of views requested by the Consultative Committee

Subject of exchange of views	Date of application by Consultative Committee	Date of discussion		Result
		in sub-committee	in Consultative Committee	
Questions put by Mr Shephard on social conditions in ECSC industries	239th meeting of the Bureau 6.5.1975	Labour Problems 15.9.1975	172nd Session 29.9.1975	Referred to the Joint Committee
Social effects of the current economic situation on employment in ECSC industries	240th meeting of the Bureau 13.6.1975	Labour Problems 15.9.1975 + 10.10.1975	172nd Session 29.9.1975 + 173rd Session 14.11.1975 + 174th Session 12.12.1975 + 175th Session 19.1.1976	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/3306/2/75)
Economic situation in the Community	243rd meeting of the Bureau 14.11.1975	-	174th Session 12.12.1975	-
Draft of a new agreement on through railway tariffs for the carriage of coal and steel	247th meeting of the Bureau 12.3.1976	Markets and Prices 23.4.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976	Report of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/1822/1/76) Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc. A/2204/1/76)
Achievements of Community energy policy objectives for 1985	247th meeting of the Bureau 12.3.1976	General Objectives 13.5.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976	Report of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/2005/1/76)
Suggestions for community social action	176th Session 12.3.1976	Labour Problems 14.5.1976	177th Session 10.6.1976	Resolution of the Consultative Committee (Doc.A/2010/2/76)

CHAPTER II

MEETINGS OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

a) BUREAU MEETINGS

8 July 1975	-	241st Meeting
29 September 1975	-	242nd Meeting (Rome)
14 November 1975	-	243rd Meeting
12 December 1975	-	244th Meeting
19 January 1976	-	245th Meeting
24 February 1976	-	246th Meeting (Brussels)
12 March 1976	-	247th Meeting
10 June 1976	-	248th Meeting

b) SESSIONS

1975

8 July 1975	-	171st Session (Constituent Session)
29 September 1975	-	172nd Session (First ordinary Session)
14 November 1975	-	173rd Session (Extraordinary Session)
12 December 1975	-	174th Session (Second ordinary Session)

1976

19 January 1976	-	175th Session (Extraordinary Session)
12 March 1976	-	176th Session (Third ordinary Session)
10 June 1976	-	177th Session (Fourth ordinary Session)

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171st SESSION

Tuesday 8 July 1975 - Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr JUNG, Senior President  
Mr CAPANNA. Elected President

Agenda

- 1) Election of the President and Bureau of the Consultative Committee for the business year 1975/1976
- 2) Appointment of members of the standing subcommittees
- 3) Settlement of dates for the Committee's ordinary sessions

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/2431/75)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/2432/75)

172nd SESSION

Monday, 29 September 1975 - Rome  
Palazzo dei Congressi, Corso Civiltà del Lavoro

In the Chair

Mr CAPANNA

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 170th and 171st Sessions of 13 June and 8 July 1975
- 2) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 3) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Programme for STEEL for the 4th quarter of 1975.
- 4) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the amendments to the 1975 Forward Programme for COAL (examined at the session of 14.3.75)
- 5) Consultation on a draft decision from the Commission regarding the unit of account used in financial dealings arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 6) Results of the Subcommittee for Labour Problems meeting of 15.9.75 on the employment situation in the coal and steel industries, as well as the replies to the questions put by Mr Shephard
- 7) Any other business

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 3 : Forward Programme for Steel October/  
December 1975  
(Doc. III/851/75)
- Item 4 : Revision of the General Coal Market  
Situation. Forecasts for 1975  
(Doc. XVII/264/75)

Item 5 : Draft Decision (ECSC) of the Commission on the unit of account used in ECSC financial dealings  
(Doc. C(75) 1025 final)

Item 6 : Decision 1870/75 ECSC of 17.7.75 from the European Commission on the requirement that steelmaking undertakings disclose certain information on employment  
(O.J. L 190 of 23.7.75, page 26)

Document submitted  
by the Consultative  
Committee

Item 6 : Opinion of the Committee on the medium-term guidelines for coal 1975/85  
(Doc. A/3864/2/74 - O.J. C 10 of 15.1.75)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Labour Problems

Item 6 : Record of the meeting of 15 September 1975  
(Doc. B/2947/75)

Replies from members of the Consultative Committee to social questions put by Mr Shephard  
(Doc. B/2782/75 with 8 annexes)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/3199/75)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/3198/75 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the current situation in the Community steel industry  
(Doc. A/3200/75)\*

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\* Published in the Official Journal C 235/3 of 15.10.75

173rd SESSION

Friday, 14 November 1975 - Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Sir David DAVIES

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 172nd Session of 29.9.75.
- 2) Statement by the Commission and exchange of views on the ECSC operational budget for 1976
- 3) Results of the Subcommittee for Labour Problems meeting of 10.10.75 and examination of a draft resolution on the employment situation in the iron and steel industry
- 4) Consultation, in accordance with Article 95 paragraph 1 of the Treaty, on a draft decision of the Commission regarding the Community system of measures taken by Member States to assist the coal-mining industry and examination of a draft opinion on the draft decision
- 5) Any other business

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 2 : Aide-mémoire on the fixing of the ECSC levies and on the drawing up of the operational budget for 1976  
(Doc. SEC (75) 3239 final)
- Item 3 : Repercussions on employment of the Steel programme  
(Doc. SEC (75) 3156 final)
- Item 4 : Draft decision of the Commission regarding the Community system of measures taken by Member States to assist the coal-mining industry  
(Doc. COM (75) 411 final)



Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Labour Problems

Item 3 : Record of the meeting of 10 October 1975  
(Doc. B/3305/75)

Draft resolution drawn up by a drafting  
group  
(Doc. A/3306/1/75)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Markets and Prices

Item 4 : Record of the meeting of 16 October 1975  
(Doc. B/3357/75)

Draft opinion of the Committee, drawn up  
by Mr Peeters  
(Doc. A/3447/75)

Session Documents

Minutes (Doc. A/3692/75)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/3691/75 + corrigendum)

174th SESSION

Friday, 12 December 1975 - Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr Alberto CAPANNA

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 173rd Session of 14 November 1975.
- 2) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty.
- 3) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Steel Programme for the first quarter of 1976.
- 4) Vote on a draft resolution of the Committee on the employment situation in the iron and steel industry.
- 5) Vote on a draft opinion of the Committee on a "Draft decision of the Commission regarding the Community system of measures taken by Member States to assist the coal-mining industry".
- 6) Consultation, pursuant to Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, to consider the granting of aid (derived from ECSC levies) to the following research projects
  - a) 9 334 661 u.a. - mining techniques
  - b) 4 834 064 u.a. - product beneficiation (coal)
  - c) 1 639 082 u.a. - steel research
  - d) 550 567.32 u.a. - mine safety.
- 7) Statement by the Commission and exchange of views on the "Annual report on the economic situation in the Community".
- 8) Any other business.

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 3 : Forward Steel Programme for the first  
quarter of 1976  
(Doc. III/1113/75)
- Item 5 : Draft decision of the Commission regarding  
the Community system of measures taken by  
Member States to assist the coal-mining  
industry  
(Doc. COM (75) 411 final)
- Item 6 : Memoranda on research projects  
a) and b) Coal (Doc. XVII/371 and 372/75)  
c) Steel (Doc. 725/III/B-4/75)  
d) Mine safety (Doc. SEC(75) 3392 final)
- Item 7 : Annual Report on the economic situation in  
the Community  
(Doc. COM (75) 520 final)

Document submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Labour Problems

- Item 4 : Draft resolution on the employment situation  
in the iron and steel industry  
(Doc. A/3306/1/75)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Markets and Prices

- Item 5 : Record of the meeting of 16 October 1975  
(Doc. B/3357/75)
- Draft opinion drawn up by Mr Peeters  
(Doc. A/3447/1/75)

Document submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Research Projects

- Item 6 : Record of the meeting of 11 December 1975  
(Doc. B/3938/75)

Session Documents

- Minutes (Doc. A/3940/75)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/3939/75 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

- Opinion of the Consultative Committee on a Community  
System of Measures taken by Member States to assist  
the Coal-Mining Industry.  
(Doc. A/3447/2/76)

175th SESSION

Monday, 19 January 1976 - Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the Chair

Mr Alberto CAPANNA

Agenda

- 1) Consultation of the Consultative Committee on the advisability of introducing a measure fixing minimum prices for iron and steel products within the Common Market, by the application of Article 61 b of the ECSC Treaty.
- 2) Vote on the draft resolution of the Committee on the employment situation in the iron and steel industry.
- 3) Any other business.

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 1 : Consultation with the Consultative Committee on the advisability of introducing a measure under Article 61 b of the ECSC Treaty, setting up minimum prices within the common market for steel products  
(Doc. COM (75) 701)
- Item 2 : Repercussions on employment of the Steel programme  
(Doc. SEC(75) 3156 final)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Markets and Prices

- Item 1 : Record of the meeting of 9.1.76  
(Doc. B/324/76)
- Draft opinion of the Consultative Committee  
(Doc. A/325/76)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for Labour Problems

- Item 2 : Record of the meeting of 10.10.75  
(Doc. B/3357/75)
- Draft resolution of the Consultative Committee  
(Doc. A/3306/1/75)

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/431/76)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/430/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Opinion of the Consultative Committee on the advisability of a measure setting up minimum prices for steel  
(Doc. A/325/1/76) \*

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the employment situation in the steel industry  
(Doc. A/3306/2/75) \*

176th SESSION

Friday, 12 March 1976 - Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the chair

Mr Alberto CAPANNA

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 174th and 175th Sessions of 12 December 1975 and 19 January 1976
- 2) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty
- 3) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Steel programme for the second quarter of 1976
- 4) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the General Objectives for Steel 1980/85
- 5) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Coal Programme for 1976
- 6) Consultation, in accordance with Article 95 para 1 of the Treaty and with Article 10 of ECSC Decision 73/287, on the introduction of the new unit of account (EUA) for coking coal
- 7) Any other business

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 3 : Forward Programme for Steel for the 2nd quarter of 1976  
(Doc. III/182/76)
- Item 4 : General Objectives for Steel 1980/85  
(Doc. SEC (75) 4062/3 and 4062/4)
- Item 5 : General situation in the coal market for 1975 - Outlook for 1976  
(Doc. XVII/52/76)
- Item 6 : Draft Commission Decision on the use of the European unit of account (EUA) in Commission Decision 73/287/ECSC of 25 July 1973 concerning coking coal and coke for the iron and steel industry in the Community.  
(Doc. C(76) 236 final)

Documents submitted  
by the Subcommittee  
for General Objectives

Item 4 : Records of the meetings of 4 and 25.2.76  
(Docs. E/657/76 and E/883/76)

Draft report drawn up by Mr Dichgans  
(Doc. A/658/1/76)

Documents submitted by  
the Subcommittee for  
Labour Problems

Item 4 : Record of the meeting of 13.2.76  
(Doc. E/822/76)

Draft report drawn up by Mr Møller  
(Doc. A/823/76)

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/1126/76)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/1125/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Report on the Economic Aspects of the General Objectives  
for Steel 1980/85  
(Doc. A/658/2/76)

Report on the Social Aspects of the General Objectives  
for Steel 1980/85  
(Doc. A/823/1/76)

177th SESSION

Thursday, 10 June 1976 -- Luxembourg  
European Centre, Kirchberg

In the Chair

Mr Alberto CAPANNA  
Mr Marcel PEETERS

Agenda

- 1) Examination of the Minutes of the 176th Session of 12 March 1976.
- 2) Statement by the Commission on its activities arising from the ECSC Treaty.
- 3) Examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Forward Steel Programme for the third quarter of 1976.
- 4) Consultation, pursuant to Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, to consider the granting of aid derived from ECSC levies to the following research projects:
  - a) 54 steel research projects for a total of 17 725 054 EUA (including 516 264 EUA = 3% for information dissemination)
  - b) A third four year medical research programme on "Chronic respiratory diseases" for a total of 5 000 000 EUA.
- 5) Exchange of views on the document entitled: "Draft of a new agreement on the establishment of through international railway tariffs for the carriage of coal and steel".
- 6) Exchange of views on progress made in connection with the "Medium term guidelines for Coal 1975/85".
- 7) Exchange of views over the suggestions put forward by Mr Doyen in the name of the workers' category at the 176th Session.
- 8) Any other business.

Documents submitted  
by the Commission

- Item 3 : Forward Steel Programme for the period  
July-September 1976  
(Doc. SEC (76) 2076 final)
- Item 4 : Memorandum on the implementation of an iron  
and steel research programme  
(Doc. COM (76) 236 final + Annex I, Rev 1)
- Memorandum on presentation of a third medical  
research programme on chronic respiratory  
diseases (Doc. COM (76) 240 final)
- Item 5 : Draft of a new agreement on the establishment  
of through international railway tariffs for  
the carriage of coal and steel (Doc. COM(76)29)
- Item 6 : Report on the achievements of the Community  
energy policy objectives for 1985  
(Doc. COM (76) 9)
- Implementation of the energy policy guidelines  
drawn up by the European Council at its meeting  
in Rome on 1 and 2 December 1975 (Doc.COM(76)20)

Documents submitted by  
the Consultative Committee

- Item 7 : Analytical Record of the 176th Session of  
12.3.1976 (Doc. A/1125/76)
- Memorandum from the workers' group  
(Doc. B/1270/76)

Document submitted by  
the Subcommittee for  
Research Projects

- Item 4 : Record of the meeting held on 4.6.1976  
(Doc. B/2328/76)

Documents submitted by  
the Subcommittee for  
Markets and Prices

- Item 5 : Record of the meeting held on 23.4.1976  
(Doc. B/1597/76)
- Draft report drawn up by Mr de la Vallée Poussin  
(Doc. A/1822/76)
- Draft resolution (Doc. A/2204/76)

Documents submitted by  
the Subcommittee for  
General Objectives

- Item 6 : Record of the meeting held on 13.5.1976  
(Doc. B/1958/76)
- Draft report drawn up by Mr Reintges  
(Doc. A/2005/76)



Documents submitted by  
the Subcommittee for  
Labour Problems

Item 7 : Record of the meeting held on 14.5.1976  
(Doc. B/1959/76)

Draft Report drawn up by Mr Rigaud  
(Doc. A/2010/76)

Draft Resolution (Doc. A/2010/1/76)

Session documents

Minutes (Doc. A/2390/76)  
Analytical Record (Doc. A/2345/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

Report on the draft of a new agreement on the establish-  
ment of through international railway tariffs for the  
carriage of coal and steel  
(Doc. A/1822/1/76)

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the draft  
of a new Agreement on the establishment of through  
international railway tariffs for the carriage of  
coal and steel \*  
(Doc. A/2204/1/76)

Report on progress in the implementation of the "Medium-  
term guidelines for coal 1975-1985" drawn up at the  
end of 1974  
(Doc. A/2005/1/76)

Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning  
proposals on measures to be taken in the employment  
sector \*  
(Doc. A/2010/2/76)

c) SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

15 September 1975	-	Subcommittee for Labour Problems
10 October 1975	-	Subcommittee for Labour Problems
16 October 1975	-	Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
11 December 1975	-	Subcommittee for Research Projects
9 January 1976	-	Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
4 February 1976	-	Subcommittee for General Objectives
13 February 1976	-	Subcommittee for Labour Problems
25 February 1976	-	Subcommittee for General Objectives
23 April 1976	-	Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
13 May 1976	-	Subcommittee for General Objectives
14 May 1976	-	Subcommittee for Labour Problems
4 June 1976	-	Subcommittee for Research Projects

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR GENERAL OBJECTIVES

In the Chair

Mr HOWARD  
Mr DE LA VALLEE POUSSIN

Terms of reference

- a) Preparatory examination, in accordance with Articles 19 & 46 of the Treaty, of the "General Objectives for Steel - 1980/1985"
- b) Preparation of an exchange of views on progress made in connection with the "Medium term Guidelines for Coal 1975/1985"

Meetings

4 February 1976 (Record - Doc. B/657/76 + corrigendum)  
25 February 1976 (Record - Doc. B/883/76 + corrigendum)  
13 May 1976 (Record - Doc. B/1958/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

- a) Draft report drawn up by Mr DICHGANS  
(Doc. A/658/1/76)
- b) Draft report drawn up by Mr REINTGES  
(Doc. A/2005/76)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR MARKETS AND PRICES

In the Chair

Mr PICARD

Terms of reference

- a) Preparation of the consultation of the Committee, according to the 1st paragraph of Article 95 of the Treaty, on a draft decision of the Commission regarding the Community system of measures taken by Member States to assist the coal-mining industry
- b) Preparation of the consultation of the Consultative Committee on the advisability of introducing a measure fixing minimum prices for iron and steel products within the Common Market, by the application of Article 61 b) of the Treaty
- c) Preparation of an exchange of views on the document entitled : "Draft of a new agreement on the establishment of through international railway tariffs for the carriage of coal and steel"

Meetings

16 October 1975 (Record - Doc. B/3357/75 + corrigendum)  
9 January 1976 (Record - Doc. B/324/76 + corrigendum)  
23 April 1976 (Record - Doc. B/1597/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

- a) Draft opinion drawn up by Mr PEETERS  
(Doc A/3447/75)
- b) Draft report drawn up by Mr ARNAUD  
(Doc. A/325/76)
- c) Draft report drawn up by Mr DE LA VALLEE POUSSIN  
(Doc. A/1822/76)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR LABOUR PROBLEMS

In the Chair

Mr NICKELS

Terms of reference

- a) Discussion on developments concerning employment in the coal industry (particularly following the Committee's Opinion adopted on 6 December 1974) and in the steel industry (with reference to the session of 13 December 1974)
- b) Social effects of the current economic situation on employment in the ECSC industries
- c) Preparation of the examination of the suggestions put forward by Mr Doyen in the name of the workers' category at the 176th Session of the Committee
- d) Discussion and examination of the replies received to Mr Shephard's questions on social conditions applying in the coal and steel industries
- e) Preparatory examination, in accordance with Articles 19 and 46 of the Treaty, of the Social aspects of the "General Objectives for Steel - 1980/85"

Meetings

- 15 September 1975 (Record - Doc. B/2947/75 + corrigendum)  
10 October 1975 (Record - Doc. B/3305/75 + corrigendum)  
13 February 1976 (Record - Doc. B/822/76 + corrigendum)  
14 May 1976 (Record - Doc. B/1959/76 + corrigendum)

Documents compiled

- Draft resolution on the employment situation
- a) (Doc. A/3306/1/75)
  - b)
  - c) Draft report drawn up by Mr RIGAUD  
(Doc. A/2010/76)
  - e) Draft report drawn up by Mr MØLLER  
(Doc. A/823/76)

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

In the Chair

Mr DE LA VALLEE POUSSIN

Terms of reference

- a) Preparation of the consultation, pursuant to Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, to consider the granting of aid (derived from ECSC levies) to the following research projects:
- i. 9 334 661 u.a. - mining techniques
  - ii. 4 834 064 u.a. - product beneficiation
  - iii. 1 639 082 u.a. - steel research
  - iv. 550 567.32 u.a. - mine safety
- b) Report by the European Commission on the implementation of the third research programme "Technical control of pollution in the iron and steel industry"
- c) Examination of the procedures for granting aid to steel research projects
- d) Presentation by "Charbonnages de France" of slides showing dust-control in the coal industry
- e) Preparation of the consultation, pursuant to Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, to consider the granting of aid derived from ECSC levies to a total of 17 725 054 EUA (including 516 264 EUA = 3% for information dissemination) for 54 steel research projects
- f) Preparation of the consultation, pursuant to Article 55 § 2c of the Treaty, to consider the granting of aid derived from ECSC levies to a total of 5 000 000 EUA for a third four year medical research programme on "Chronic respiratory diseases"

Meetings

- 11 December 1975 (Record - Doc. B/3938/75 + corrigendum)  
4 June 1976 (Record - Doc. B/2328/76 + corrigendum)

d) MEETINGS OF CATEGORIES

29 September 1975	--	Workers' category
10 October 1975	-	Workers' category
13 November 1975	-	Workers' category
11 December 1975	-	Workers' category
11 March 1976	-	Workers' category
9 June 1976	-	Workers' category
14 July 1976	-	Workers' category
15 July 1976	-	Producers' category
15 July 1976	-	Consumers' category

e) Other Meetings

21 October 1975 - Meeting of a drafting group to prepare a draft resolution on the employment situation in the iron and steel industry



A P P E N D I X

PUBLICATIONS BY AND ON THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE IN THE  
OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

8.7.1975 - 14.7.1976

Composition of the Bureau and the permanent subcommittees of the Consultative Committee for the business year 1975/1976

C 169 of 26.7.1975

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the current situation in the Community steel industry

C 235/3 of 15.10.1975

Opinion of the Consultative Committee on the advisability of a measure setting up minimum prices for steel

C 24 of 4.2.1976

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the employment situation in the steel industry

C 24 of 4.2.1976

Resolution of the Consultative Committee concerning proposals on measures to be taken in the employment sector

C 151 of 3.7.1976

Resolution of the Consultative Committee on the draft of a new Agreement on the establishment of through international railway tariffs for the carriage of coal and steel

C 151 of 3.7.1976

Nomination of :

- Mr Bosch on the resignation of Mr De Graaf (C 219 of 25.9.1975)
- Messrs Gormley and Daly (C 229 of 8.10.1975)
- Mr Sambrook on the resignation of Mr Holloway (C 271 of 17.11.1975)
- Mr V.Jung on the resignation of Mr Hensche (C 298 of 30.12.1975)
- Mr Vandendriessche after the death of Mr Ooms (C 34 of 14.2.1976)
- Mr Tidd after the death of Mr Frye (C 34 of 14.2.1976)

## COMPOSITION OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

1975	Belgium	Denmark	Federal Republic of Germany	France	Ireland	Italy	Luxembourg	Netherlands	United Kingdom
1976									
Producers	Coal Peeters		Anderheggen Bellingrodt Bund Reintges	Gardent Hequet					Ezra Howard Shephard
	Steel Delville van der Rest	Thrane	Dichgans Schlupkotten Spethmann	Ferry Varoquaux	P. Mortimer	Capanna Einaudi	Conrot Meyer	Van Veelen	Holloway (3) Layton A. Mortimer
Consumers	Coal de la Vallée Poussin		Becker Mandel Riedl	Delaporte Picard	Chandler	Zaccone	Ackermann	Beems	Clark Hawksfield Jenkins
	Steel Coosemans	Harne	Hoffmann Jung Pasel	Arnaud Martin Thibaut		Barone Gioia		Wijnands	Annetts Frye (4) Hamer
Workers	Coal Ooms (2)		Gelhorn Nickels	Bergamini Rigaud				De Graaf (1)	Daly Gormley Wormald
	Steel Doyen Vandeperre	Møller	Herold Judith Mayr	Valli Wille		Bentivogli Guttadauro Lettieri	Meiss	Martijn	Boyd Davies Smith
	Organisation		Hensche (5)		Donegan				

Bureau : Messrs Capanna, President

Arnaud, Vice-President

Davies, Vice-President

Chandler, Member

Conrot, Member

Gelhorn, Member

Møller, Member

Peeters, Member

Wijnands, Member

1) Replaced by Mr Bosch, 25.9.1975

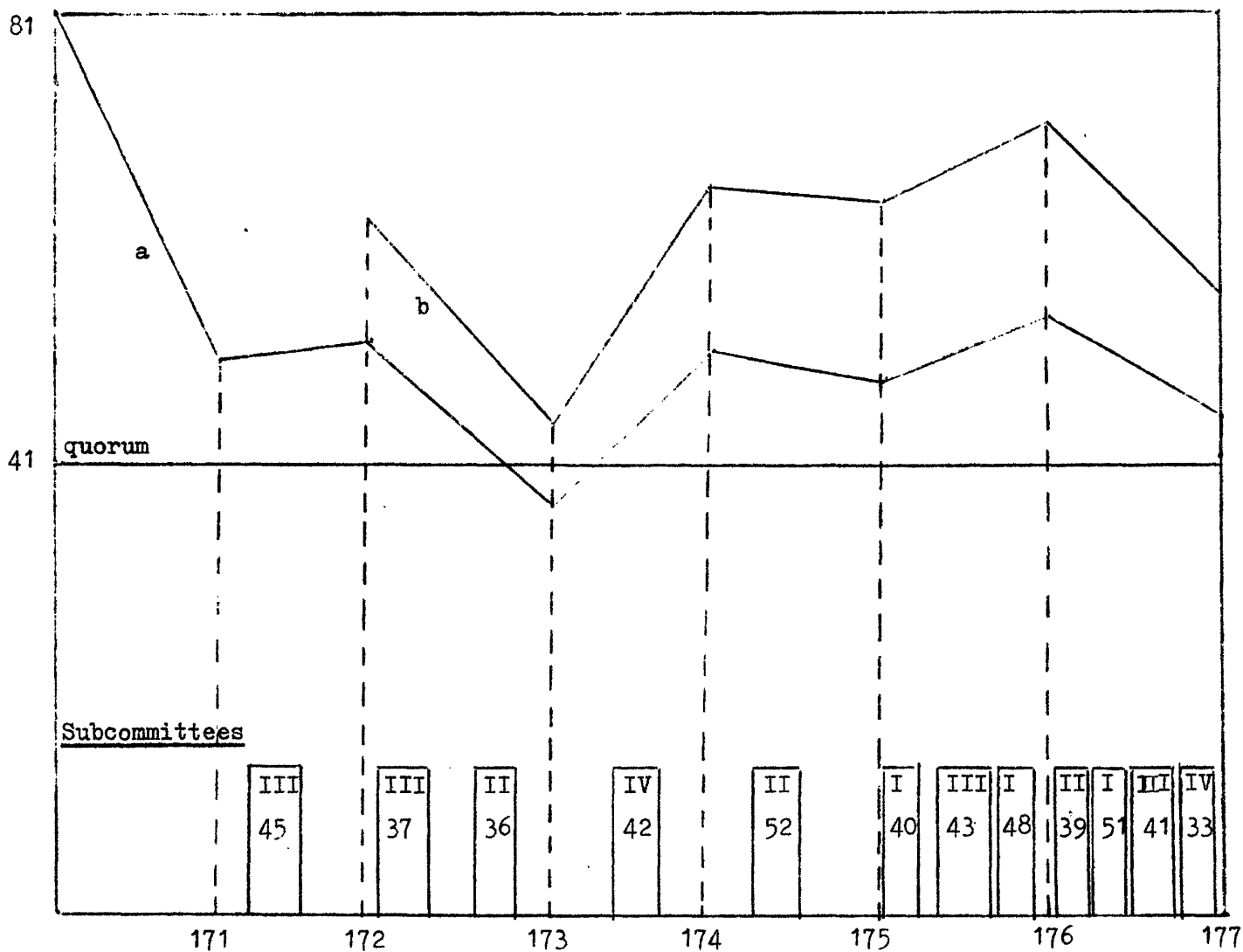
2) Died 27.11.1975. Replaced by Mr Vandendriessche 14.2.1976

3) Replaced by Mr Sambrook 27.11.1975

4) Died 7.12.1975. Replaced by Mr Tidd 14.1.1976

5) Replaced by Mr V. Jung 30.12.1975

PARTICIPANTS AT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE SESSIONS  
AND AT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS



Sessions (81 members)

Numbers indicate (a) members and (b) members and deputies

Subcommittees (36 members)

Numbers indicate members, other members of the Committee, deputies and technical advisers

- I = Subcommittee for General Objectives
- II = Subcommittee for Markets and Prices
- III = Subcommittee for Labour Problems
- IV = Subcommittee for Research Projects