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HENRI ROCHEREAU APPOINTED TO COMMON MARKET COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9 -- Henri Rochereau has assumed his new duties as a member of the Commission of the European Economic Community (Common Market), succeeding Robert Lemaigen.

Born in Chantonnay (Vendée) in 1908, M. Rochereau, who holds a doctorate in law, became Senator for la Vendée in 1946 and was re-elected in 1948, 1952, 1958 and 1959. He has served the French Government in a variety of posts including that of Chairman of the Economic Affairs Committee of the Council of the Republic (1955-58) and, in the spring of 1959, Chairman of the Senate Committee for Economic Affairs and Planning. In May 1958 he was a delegate to the European Parliament, and from May 1959 to August 1961 M. Rochereau was France's Minister of Agriculture. His appointment to the EEC Commission dates from January 10, 1962.

Under Article 158 of the Treaty of Rome, members of the Commission are appointed for a special period of four years by the governments of the six member states acting in agreement.

M. Lemaigen, who was born in Blois in 1893, is retiring from public service after having been a member of the Common Market Commission since January 1958.