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HIRSCH FORECASTS EUROPE'S NUCLEAR POWER CAPACITY AT 40 MILLION eKW BY 1980

WASHINGTON, May 14 -- Euratom's President Etienne Hirsch has told the European Community Parliament that despite Europe's new sources of classical energy, the six-nation European Community would have to aim at a target of 40 million eKW of installed nuclear capacity by 1980, it was reported here today from Strasbourg.

Addressing the European Parliament during the second half of its annual spring session, the Euratom Commission's President reviewed the aims and activities of the Atomic Energy Community as set forth in its third annual report to the Parliament. He declared that the primary energy requirements of the Six would climb from 460 to 800 million (metric) tons of coal equivalent between 1960 and 1980 and maintained that neither coal nor oil reserves were sufficient to meet the increasing demand for energy, particularly in view of Europe's obligations to use her resources in aiding the less-developed areas of the world.

Political Role Stressed

President Hirsch laid special emphasis upon the political aspects of Euratom as a part of the European Community. He said: "It is becoming increasingly apparent that, by acting in isolation, our countries can never hope to play an effective role in guiding the destinies of the world in the presence of the two giant powers of the East and West whose very size has given them a predominant voice in world affairs."

"However," he added, "a truly united Europe with institutions empowered to speak in the name of our six countries and their 170 million people, can speak as equal to equal with the Soviet Union, and will be able to work together constructively with the United States for the common good of mankind."

Urges Single Executive

The Euratom President, in speaking of the federal institutions of the Community, declared: "Just as there is a single Parliament and a single Court of Justice for the three Communities, so must there be brought into existence, with minimum delay, a single executive branch which would wield all the powers vested by the Treaties of the Coal and Steel Community, Euratom, and the Common Market." He added that the Euratom Commission was prepared to do everything in its power to remove obstacles to the creation of a single executive..."a development vital to the formation of a United States of Europe."

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