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Negotiations between Tunisia and the EEC

Negotiations between Tunisia and the EEC opened in Brussels on 6 July. The aim is to conclude an agreement consistent with the terms of the Declaration of Intention annexed to the Treaty of Rome with a view to associating the independent countries of the franc area with the Community.

The Tunisian delegation was led by H.E. Slaheddine El Goulli, Head of the Tunisian Mission to the EEC, and the Commission delegation by M. Axel Herbst, Director-General for External Relations.

The basis for the negotiations is the mandate adopted by the EEC Council at its session of 14 and 15 June, 1965.

The talks lasted from 6 to 8 July. There was a broad exchange of views on the preferential trading system to be established for the agricultural and industrial sectors. The conversations were marked by a cordial atmosphere of mutual understanding.

The two delegations agreed in principle to meet again in the second half of September in order to continue studying the matters discussed at this first meeting.

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