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PRESIDENT OF ECSC HIGH AUTHORITY RESIGNS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2 -- Dino Del Bo, President of the European Coal and Steel Community's High Authority, announced his resignation today.

Mr. Del Bo, who had served as President of the executive branch since October 1963, cited health reasons for his decision. An Italian, he had once served as Assistant Secretary-General of the Italian Christian-Democratic Party. He also served in the Italian Chamber of Deputies four terms and in several Italian cabinets.

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