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Weekly Timetable of Community Activities - N° 13/74

COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

European Parliament in Luxembourg

The Labour Party tactics on Europe will become clearer on April 1, when Mr. Callaghan attends his first Council meeting of Foreign Ministers, in Luxembourg. Although no list of subjects has yet been fixed, regional policy seems likely to be discussed.

The European Parliament will hold a session in Luxembourg April 3-5.

FURTHER AHEAD:

April 29 and 30, Council of Agricultural Ministers, Luxembourg.

April 29, Council of Finance Ministers, Luxembourg (not confirmed)

April 30, Council, Development and Cooperation, Luxembourg

(not confirmed)

FLASHBACK:

After a meeting lasting three full days, the Council of Agricultural Ministers agreed prices on March 23, for the 1974/5 farming year and also accepted the need for special arrangements to contain British food prices. The average increase in official prices was 8 3/4%, with most on beef (12%) and milk (8%). A much lower floor price for beef was agreed for the U.K. and the British Government was permitted to increase the butter subsidy to 5 1/2p. a lb. British pig producers will also get special help.

The only European aspects of Mr. Healey's budget on March 26 were restrictions on capital investment abroad and a promise to get a "fair deal" in the Community budget.

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