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Weekly Timetable of Community Activities - No 33/74

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

The only likely Council meeting next week is one of Ministers for Aid and Development on Thursday, October 3. This will be confirmed today. Probably the main subject of discussion at this meeting, if it takes place, will be the proposed UN Emergency Fund for the poorest countries hit by the oil price increases. The Commission originally proposed a world fund of \$300m and the Council of Ministers agreed that the Community would contribute \$50m on condition that other industrialised and oil producing countries agreed to contribute the rest. As other countries have been unwilling to commit themselves the Council of Development Ministers on September 24 refused to make any immediate payment, although the British Minister, Judith Hart, argued that the Community should make an immediate contribution of \$25m.

FURTHER AHEAD

The Council of Environment Ministers, proposed for October 10, has now been postponed, probably until November 7. Other Council meetings in October proposed or confirmed are:

October 15	Foreign Affairs	CONFIRMED
21 + 22	Agriculture	PROPOSED
21	Finance	CONFIRMED

FLASHBACK

On September 26 the Council pruned the Community Budget for 1975 from £2,898m to £2,600m. Britain is likely to pay in about £340m of this and get back between £160 and £200m.

On September 25 the West German Government effectively vetoed the 5% increase in EEC farm prices agreed on September 19. It is understood that the West German Government will only agree to these prices if other Member States end national support measures which infringe the Treaty of Rome and agree to review the whole of the CAP.

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