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WEEKLY TIMETABLE OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES - NO 19/76

Next Council Meetings (Luxembourg)

June 21 + 22	Agriculture	
June 28 + 29	Foreign Affairs	
June 29	Social Affairs	PROPOSED

Council Meetings in July (Brussels)

July 5	Finance	
July 19 + 20	Foreign Affairs	
July 19 + 20	Agriculture	PROPOSED
July 22	Budget	PROPOSED

Other Events - Further Ahead

June 9	President Ortolí visits Egypt and Jordan
June 14-18	European Parliament, Strasbourg
June 22-25	State visit to the UK by the President of France
June 24	Tripartite Conference of Community Finance/Economic and Employment Ministers, Employers, and Trade Unions, Luxembourg
July 12+13	European Council (summit), Brussels

FLASHBACK

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) ended in Nairobi after protracted negotiations with an agreement on three main issues - stabilising commodity prices, debt relief and the transfer of technology to developing countries. The agreement was controversial and on the principle issue, the stabilisation of commodity prices, there were different degrees of enthusiasm among the developed countries, including the Nine. A full negotiating session on a fund to support commodity prices will be held not later than next March.

Britain and Iceland ended the cod war, opening the way to new reciprocal fishing agreement between the Community and Iceland, and the lifting of the Community embargo on free trade in Icelandic fish and fish products.

The Commission and representatives of Canada exchanged notes following agreement on the text of a contractual association between the Community and Canada for commercial and economic cooperation; this is the first such agreement with a non-European industrialised nation.

The Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs adopted a Directive laying down revised basic safety standards for the health protection of the population and workers against the dangers of ionizing radiation.

The Commission told the Council it will propose a supplementary budget of 60 million units of account (£25 million) towards reconstruction in the Italian earthquake disaster region of Friuli.