

European Communities Commission Press Release

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WEEKLY TIMETABLE OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES - NO 36/76

Next Council Meetings

Brussels	November 15 + 16 November 18 November 22 November 22 + 23 November 23 November 29	Research Eco-Finance
Brussels	December 9 December 9 December 13 + 14 December 13 + 14 December 16 December 16	
European Parliament		
Luxembourg Luxembourg	November 15 - 19 December 13 - 17	

Economic and Social Committee Plenaries

Brussels	November 24	+ 25
	December 15	+ 16

Other Events

Political Directors	The Hague	November 18 + 19
European Council (summit)	The Hague	November 29 + 30

FLASHBACK

FINANCE: The Council of Ministers of Finance adopted a Resolution declaring the necessity for a greater degree of stability in intra-Community exchange relations. The Council invited the Monetary Committee and the Governors of the central banks to examine further the ideas contained in the Duisenberg Plan.

The Duisenberg Plan sought to link floating Community currencies with the snake and to impose discipline on the currencies in the light of future Community aid.

VISITS: Her Majesty the Queen paid a State visit to Luxembourg, where she paid tribute to the pioneers of the European Community.

The British Prime Minister, Mr Callaghan, accompanied by several Ministers, paid an official visit to France where, following President Giscard d'Estaing's warmly welcomed visit to Britain in June, a new era was hailed in Anglo-French relations. FISH: A delegation of the Commission, led by Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, acting Commissioner for external affairs, began negotiations with Reykjavik with the Icelandic Government on new fishing arrangements following the Community's decision to extent its fishing limits to 200 miles.

In the same context the Commission began negotiations with the United States. The Commission is informing Norway, Canada, Finland, Sweden, the GDR, Poland, and Spain of the 200-mile regime.

TEXTILES: The Commission has signed a bilateral agreement on textiles with Rumania. The agreement provides for a modest improvement in Rumania's export prospects - with safeguards. This is the Community's first agreement with a member of COMECON but it should not be regarded as a general breakthrough in this sphere of the Community's relations.

ISRAEL: Negotiations were concluded with Israel on an additional protocol and a financial protocol to the agreement signed in May 1975. The additional protocol enlarges the scope for cooperation in industrial, commercial, agricultural, fishing, scientific and technical fields, and the encouragement of private investment. The financial protocol puts 30 million units of account at the disposition of Israel by the European Investment Bank.

MILK POWDER: The Commission has adopted new measures following the end of the regime requiring compulsory use of skimmed milk powder in animal feed. The new measures provide subsidies to ensure the continuing incorporation of this by-product in animal feed to ensure continuing diminution of the stocks, which now stand at 1.28 million tonnes.

VICE-PRESIDENT HILLERY: The President of the Commission, M. François-Xavier Ortoli, sent a message of congratulations to Vice-President Patrick Hillery on his nomination as President-elect of Ireland.