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A WEEKLY SUMMARY OF PAST AND FUTURE EVENTS

Next Council Meetings

Brussels	May 22	Finance
	May 30	Environment
	May 30	Energy

Provisional Dates Further Ahead

European Council (summit)	July 6 + 7	(Bremen)
Industrial World Economic Summit	July 16 + 17	(Bonn)
Foreign Affairs Council:	June 6, June 27, July 25	
Finance Council:	June 19, July 24	
Agriculture Council:	June 19/20/21, July 24/25	
Transport Council:	June 12	
Social Affairs Council:	June 29	
Budget Council:	July 18	
ACP/EEC Council:	July 24	
European Parliament:	June 12 - 16	(Strasbourg)
	July 3 - 7	(Luxembourg)

FLASHBACK

EEC-JAPAN: Christopher Tugendhat, Commissioner in charge of the budget, on his return from an official visit to Japan, reported that the Commission's ideas on a greater opening of the Japanese market to European bankers had been received favourably.

EEC-COMECON: Negotiations between the European Community and Comecon will open in Moscow on May 29. The EEC will be represented by Vice-President Haferkamp and Comecon by its Secretary-General Mr Nicolai Fadeev.

AGRICULTURE: Commenting on the results of the agricultural council, Mr Gundelach, Commissioner in charge of agriculture, said that the Council had followed the Commission's lead in keeping prices down. The decision to provide assistance for Mediterranean agriculture were an historic step forward.

ECSC LOAN FOR COAL BOARD: A loan of £65 million has been made to the National Coal Board under the Coal and Steel Community treaty for the development of a new mine at Selby in Yorkshire.

METRICATION: The British government has dropped the element of compulsion in metrication plans, though it still intends to push on with the change.

BACKGROUND REPORTS ISSUED:

ISEC/B38/78: When the Community Speaks as One

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