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## DAHRENDORF TO HEAD LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

WASHINGTON, DC -- September 20 -- Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Member of the Commission of the European Communities since 1970, has been elected Director of the London School of Economics (L.S.E.). The Court of Governors of the L.S.E. has elected Dahrendorf for a ten-year term which begins in late 1974. He will resign from the Commission at that time.

Dahrendorf, born on May 1, 1929 in Hamburg, obtained a doctorate in philosophy and classics there in 1952 and later did postgraduate sociology studies at L.S.E., 1954-57. In July 1970, he was appointed Commission Member in charge of external relations and trade. He was reappointed in 1973 as Commissioner responsible for research, science, and education.

Prior to joining the Commission, Dahrendorf was elected to the German Parliament in 1969 and became Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs the same year.