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COMMON MARKET TO SPONSOR AUTO STANDARDS AND SAFETY CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, DC -- October 3 -- Car builders from the European Community, the United States, and other countries with automotive plants in the nine EC member states have been invited to a conference on auto standards and safety.

The conference, called at the initiative of the EC Commission, will be held in the Manhattan Center on Brussels' Place Rogier December 9-11. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, German, Italian, Danish, and Dutch.

The conference agenda emphasizes the need to

• coordinate efforts to improve automobile safety, to protect the environment, and to save energy and raw materials

• avoid unilateral national actions that create conflicting solutions to problems faced by every automotive manufacturer today as a result of international economic changes and new consumer demands.

A seminar on highway accident statistics will be held at the same time. It will focus on methods of reporting highway accidents throughout Europe.

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Registration Information

There will be no enrollment fee for either the conference or the seminar.

Applications and programs for the <u>conference</u> may be obtained

from:

The European Automobile Conference Secretariat Commission of the European Communities Directorate General for Internal Market Mr. R. Neve (3 RP 4/5) 200, rue de la Loi 1040 Brussels, Belgium.

Applications and agenda for the seminar may be obtained

from:

The Highway Accident Statistic Seminar Secretariat Commission of the European Communities Statistical Office Mr. Peeters Boite Postale 1907 Luxembourg, Luxembourg (G.D.)