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Luxembourg, 25 October 1980
President: Mr Gaston THORN,
Minister for Foreign Affairs of
the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

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The Governments of the Member States and the Commission of the European Communities were represented as follows:

Belgium:

Mr Charles-Ferdinand NOTHOMB Minister for Foreign Affairs

Denmark:

Mr Gunnar RIBERHOLDT Ambassador,
Permanent Representative

Germany:

Count Otto LAMBSDORFF Federal Minister for Economic
Affairs

Mr Otto SCHLECHT State Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs

France:

Mr André GIRAUD Minister for Industry

Ireland:

Mr Brendan DILLON Ambassador,
Permanent Representative

Italy:

Mr Antonio BISAGLIA Ministry for Industry

Luxembourg:

Mr Gaston THORN Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Paul HELMINGER State Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Netherlands:

Mr C.A. van der KLAUW
Mr C.M.V. van AARDENNE

Minister for Foreign Affairs
Minister for Economic Affairs

United Kingdom:

Mr Adam BUTLER

Minister of State
Department of Industry

Commission:

Mr Roy JENKINS
Mr François-Xavier ORTOLI
Mr Wilhelm HAFERKAMP
Mr Henk VREDELING
Viscount Etienne DAVIGNON

President
Vice-President
Vice-President
Vice-President
Member

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The following also attended as an observer:

Greece:

Mr Marcos ECONOMIDES

Ambassador,
Head of Greece's Mission to the
European Communities

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STEEL: ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYSTEM OF PRODUCTION QUOTAS FOR THE STEEL
INDUSTRY

The Council held further discussions on problems arising from the Commission's request for Council assent, under Article 58 of the ECSC Treaty, to the establishment of a system of production quotas for the steel industry.

Discussions centred on the additional information sought by the German delegation on some aspects of the system being contemplated.

Significant progress was made towards agreement on the general conditions for applying Article 58.

Following the discussions, the Council agreed that a further meeting would be held on Thursday 30 October in order to continue on the basis of the results achieved at this meeting, with the aim of reaching a firm decision.
