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9232/83 (Presse 154)

871st Council meeting  
- Foreign Affairs -  
Brussels, 19 September 1983

President: Mr Grigoris VARFIS,  
State Secretary  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
of the Hellenic Republic



Luxembourg:

Mr Jean DONDELINGER

Ambassador,  
Permanent Representative

Netherlands:

Mr W.F. van EEKELEN

State Secretary for Foreign Affairs

United Kingdom:

Mr Malcolm RIFKIND

Minister of State,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Mr Lorenzo NATALI

Vice-President

Viscount Etienne DAVIGNON

Vice-President

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Member

Mr Richard BURKE

Member

Mr Poul DALSGER

Member

Mr Ivor RICHARD

Member

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SPECIALTY STEEL - COUNCIL CONCLUSIONS

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- by continuing to press for exemptions to the relief measures;
- by supporting any action seeking to review the "double jeopardy" caused by additional antidumping and countervailing duties.

APPLICATION OF THE ARRANGEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES ON STEEL

The Council made a thorough examination of the problems raised by several delegations regarding the internal allocation of the possibilities for exporting certain products under the voluntary restraint Arrangement with the United States on steel.

The Council requested the Arrangement Committee to continue its examination of these matters in the light of the Council's discussions.

FINANCIAL COMPENSATION FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM

The Council heard a statement by the United Kingdom delegation on the implementation of the conclusion reached by the Council on 26 October 1982 concerning financing the compensation for the United Kingdom for 1983 and held a discussion on this subject.

US UNITARY TAXATION

Following a statement by the United Kingdom delegation on the serious concern caused by the unitary taxation system practised by certain States in the United States, the Council requested the Community authorities to look into this matter without delay.

GREENLAND

The Council held a detailed discussion on all the issues raised by the Danish proposal for the withdrawal of Greenland from the Community. It noted that positions had already been brought considerably closer together during the preparatory discussions held to date.

Following the discussion, which gave delegations the opportunity to comment at length on all the problems involved and express their concern on the subject, the Council instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to continue its discussions on this important matter on the basis of the document submitted by the Presidency as well as in the light of the present discussions and a formal proposal on fisheries which the Commission had been asked to submit to the Council as soon as possible.

The Council said it wanted to reach a final decision on this whole matter in as short a time as possible.

It accordingly instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to submit to it for its November meeting draft texts concerning both the amendment of the Treaty in order to change the status of Greenland and a fisheries agreement.

NEW ACP-EEC CONVENTION

The Council finalized the Community's position for the opening of the negotiations for the renewal of the ACP-EEC Convention of 31 October 1979 (Lomé II).

The formal opening session of the negotiations will take place on 6 October in Luxembourg.

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CONCILIATION WITH THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ON THE EUROPEAN  
SOCIAL FUND

The Council and the European Parliament held a meeting of the Conciliation Committee on the review of the European Social Fund. The Parliamentary delegation was headed by Mr DANKERT, President of the European Parliament and also comprised: Mr PAPAEFSTRATIOU, Chairman of the Committee on Social Affairs, Mr BARBAGLI, rapporteur on the European Social Fund, Mrs MAIJ-WEGGEN, draftsman of the opinion and member of the Committee on the Situation of Women, Mr BAILLOT, draftsman of the opinion, member of the Committee on Budgets, Mr CERAVOLO, Mrs NIELSEN, Mr PATTERSON and Mrs SALISCH, members of the Committee on Social Affairs.

Concluding the debate, after a detailed discussion, the Conciliation Committee recorded that it was unable to reach a definitive agreement at this stage, despite considerable convergence of viewpoints.

The Presidents of the Council and the European Parliament will establish contact with a view to continuing the conciliation procedure so that the new provisions on the Social Fund can enter into force as quickly as possible.



## MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

### Commercial policy

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities the Decision concluding the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters relating to the amendment of the Temporary Arrangement for a concerted discipline between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Finland concerning reciprocal trade in cheeses.

The Council also adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Regulation opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for aubergines falling within subheading ex 07.01 T of the Common Customs Tariff, originating in Cyprus (1983).

### Technical barriers

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Directive amending for the fifth time (asbestos) Directive 76/769/EEC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to restrictions on the marketing and use of certain dangerous substances and preparations.

### Education

The Council and the Ministers for Education, meeting within the Council, adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the Resolution relating to the introduction of new information technology in education.

Atomic Questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision issuing directives to the Commission on negotiation of an agreement for co-operation between the EAEC and the United States of America in the field of controlled thermonuclear fusion.

ECSC

The Council gave assent

- pursuant to the second paragraph of Article 54 of the ECSC Treaty
  - = to the granting of a global loan to the Bayerische Landesanstalt für Aufbaufinanzierung, Munich,
  - = to the granting of a global loan to the IndustriekreditbankAG - Deutsche Industriebank, Düsseldorf,
  - = to the partial financing of the acquisition of wagons for the transport of iron and steel products, ore and coal,
- pursuant to Article 55 of the ECSC Treaty concerning the Memorandum submitted by the Commission relating to the establishment of a fifth research programme on "Industrial Hygiene in Mines".

Social Questions

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Directive on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to asbestos at work (second individual Directive within the meaning of Article 8 of Directive 80/1107/EEC).

Appointments

The Council adopted, in the official languages of the Communities, the decision appointing for three years the following members and alternate members of the Advisory Committee on Veterinary Training:

A. Experts from the practising profession

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate member</u>
Belgium	Mr J. VAN DE VOORDE	Mr P. RONSSE
Denmark	Mr Svend JOHANSEN	Mr Gunnar MORTENSEN
Germany	Mr H. HAGENLOCHER	Mr Gerhart GERWECK
Greece	Mr Ioannis STAMATOPOULOS	Mr Nicolaos SOTIROPOULOS
France	Mr Marc LIBERSA	Mr Christian DUMON
Ireland	Mr Brendan T. FARRELLY	Mr Fintan J. COONEY
Italy	Mr Aldo ROGHETTO	Mr Porfirio DI BELLA
Luxembourg	Mr Arthur BESCH	Mr Albert HUBERTY
Netherlands	Mr H.A. van RIESSEN	Mr M. BOSMAN
United Kingdom	Mr J.N. GRIPPER	Mr I.B. HUGHES

B. Experts from the veterinary sciences teaching institutions

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate member</u>
Belgium	Mr M. DEBACKERE	Mr E. POUPLARD
Denmark	Mr P. WILLEBERG	Mr M. HESSELHOLT
Germany	Mr M. STÖBER	Mr L.F. MÜLLER
Greece	Mr Sotirios LEONTIDIS	.....
France	Mr FONTAINE	Mr TOMA
Ireland	Mr Seosamh HANLY	Mr John HANNAN
Italy	Mr Armando GOBETTO	Mr Aldo ROMAGNOLI
Luxembourg	Mr Frank WOLFF	Mr Joseph KREMER
Netherlands	Mr A. RIJNBEEK	Mr G.H. HUISMAN
United Kingdom	Mr A.O. BETTS	Mr E.J.L. SOULSBY

C. Experts from the competent authorities of the Member States

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate Member</u>
Belgium	Mr E. VAN ASSCHE	Mr A. VANDELDELDE
Denmark	Mr E. STOUGAARD	Mr E. MALLING OLSEN
Germany	Mr F. HEUNER	Mr H.L. SCHLEGEL
Greece	Mr Dimitrios DIMITRIOU	Mr Ilias TSANGLAS
France	Mr Yves SOYEUX	Mr Joseph SANTAMARIA
Ireland	Mr John J. VAUGHAN	Mr Traolach O'NUALLAIN
Italy	Mr Pier Giuseppe FACELLI	Mr Luigi SENTINELLI
Luxembourg	Mr Raymond FRISCH	Mr Fernand KONS
Netherlands	Mr H.v.d. ESCH	Mr J. STAMAN
United Kingdom	Mr A.R.W. PORTER	Mr A. STEELE-BODGER

The Council also appointed:

- on a proposal from the Irish Government, Dr T.V. O'DWYER, Department of Health, an alternate member of the Advisory Committee on Medical Training in place of Dr A. WALSH for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 8 November 1985;
- on a proposal from the Luxembourg Government, Dr Nicolas RUME, Chief Medical Officer, Industrial Medicine Department, a member of the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work in place of the late Dr KIEFFER, member, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 1 April 1985;
- on a proposal from the United Kingdom Government, Mr J.G. RUSSELL, an alternate member of the Advisory Committee on Vocational Training in place of Mr L. WOOD, alternate member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 16 September 1983.

The Council also appointed:

- on a proposal from the German Government, Regierungsdirektor, Dr Otto SCHULZ, Bundesministerium für Arbeit und Sozialordnung, a member of the Committee of the European Social Fund in place of Dr Rudolf MILLER, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 23 May 1985;
- on a proposal from the United Kingdom Government, Mr R.H. NIBLETT, Department of Employment, Overseas Division, a member of the Committee of the European Social Fund in place of Mr F.A. NIVEN, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 23 May 1985.

Finally, the Council appointed:

- on a proposal from the German Government, Abteilungsleiter beim Vorstand der IG Metall, a member of the Economic and Social Committee in place of Mr K.-H. FRIEDRICHS, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 20 September 1986;
  - on a proposal from the United Kingdom Government, Mr Michael C. SWIFT, MC, formerly Secretary General, British Bankers' Association, a member of the Economic and Social Committee in place of Mr W.G.N. MILLER, member, who has resigned, for the remainder of the latter's term of office which runs until 20 September 1986.
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C O R R I G E N D U M

to Press Release  
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meeting on 19 September 1983

On page 2, read:

"Denmark:

Mr Uffe ELLEMANN-JENSEN

Mr Moses OLSEN

Mr Otto MØLLER

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Member of the Government of Greenland

State Secretary,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs"





Bruxelles, le 16 septembre 1983.

Note BIO (83) 377 aux Bureaux Nationaux  
cc. aux Membres du Groupe du Porte-Parole

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CONSEIL AFFAIRES ETRANGERES DES 20/21 SEPTEMBRE 1983.  
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Aciers speciaux (van der Pas)  
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Le Conseil parlera des resultats des consultations CE-USA sur les mesures americaines concernant les exportations communautaires d'aciers speciaux, consultations qui ont eu lieu a Geneve au debut septembre (voir IP(83) 285). Il discutera egalement la gestion de l'Arrangement acier de 82, certains Etats membres se preoccupant d'eventuelles reductions de leurs possibilites d'exportations.

Groenland (Keery)  
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Conformement a la demande du Conseil du 18 juillet, le Comite des Representants Permanents a poursuivi l'examen du dossier groenlandais dans le but d'assurer que les negociations sur les relations futures entre la Communaute et le Groenland puissent aboutir avant la fin de l'annee. Meme si des divergences subsistent entre les delegations, la Presidence pourra probablement noter lundi des progres en ce qui concerne les dispositions commerciales et financieres a prevoir ainsi que sur les principes d'un accord-cadre futur pour la peche. Je vous rappelle que M. Burke a toujours fait part au Conseil de la disponibilite de la Commission pour la recherche d'un compromis.

Relations avec les Etats ACP (Guerrin)  
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Suite au Conseil Affaires Etrangeres du 18 juillet, le Conseil de lundi terminera en principe le mandat a donner a la Commission en vue des negociations pour le renouvellement de la Convention ACP-CEE. Le point principal laisse en suspens jusqu'ici est la question de la creation d'une reserve generale d'appui a des politiques sectorielles.

Contribution budget Royaume-Uni (Elphick)  
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Le Conseil va discuter, sur initiative du Representant du Royaume-Uni, de la compensation en faveur du R.U. inscrit par le Conseil budget, en juillet, au projet de budget supplementaire no 2 de 1983. La proposition de la Commission d'inscrire une somme de 384 MECUS pour compensation du risk sharing concernant le solde net de 1982 a ete contestee par plusieurs delegations. Le Conseil, par majorite qualifiee, a inscrit la somme de 307,5 Mecus en faveur du Royaume-Uni et de 62,5 Mecus en faveur de la Republique federale. Les representants britanniques veulent evidemment poursuivre leur argumentation selon laquelle, suivant l'accord du Conseil general du 26 octobre 82, la vraie compensation devrait etre de l'ordre de 105 Mecus de plus.

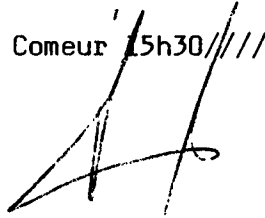
MATERIEL DIFFUSE AU COURS DU RENDEZ-VOUS DE MIDI DU 16.09.83.

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- IP 298 - Resume discours de M. Andriessen a Oxford sur les aides d'Etat dans la Communaute  
+ texte integral
- Discours du President Thorn a Luxembourg a l'occasion du 25e anniversaire de la Conf. permanente des Chambres de commerce et de l'industrie de la CEE sur "l'Europe en perspective et le role des entreprises pour l'avenir"
- Discours du President Thorn a Urbino a l'occasion de la remise du doctorat Honoris Causa
- Com(83) 483 - sur l'etat de l'industrie de construction navale dans la CE
- Suppl. 1/83 au Bulletin des CE - Avis de la Commission sur le statut du Groenland.

Amities,

Manuel SANTARELLI. Comeur 15h30////



Bruxelles, le 19 septembre 1983.

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ACIERS SPECIAUX CE - ETATS-UNIS (van der Pas)

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Le Conseil a adopte un texte prenant note de la disponibilite des Americains de parler de compensations pour les prejudices crees aux exportateurs europeens par les mesures americaines. Il insiste maintenant sur la necessite d'un accord rapide et, oralement, plusieurs delegations ainsi que la Commission ont ete d'avis qu'un accord devrait etre bien avance, sinon complete, le 5 octobre prochain, date des nouvelles consultations entre la Communaute et les Etats-Unis a ce sujet. Faute d'accord rapide les Etats membres devront reflechir sur les mesures a prendre afin de sauvegarder leurs interets.

Text of Council conclusions :

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ACIER : ARRANGEMENTS CE - ETATS-UNIS 82 (van der Pas)

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Le Conseil n'a pas pu se mettre d'accord sur une demande grecque d'obtenir un quota supplémentaire de 20.000 tonnes de toles laminées a froid pour ses exportations vers les Etats-Unis a l'interieur des quantites prévues par l'arrangement 82. Ceci porterait les exportations grecques pour 83 a 58.000 tonnes, soit davantage qu'en 82. De l'avis de la Commission et de certains Etats membres, ceci ne peut pas avoir été le but de la déclaration du Conseil en 82, disant que l'arrangement "n'affecterait pas" les exportations grecques. Cette augmentation ne serait d'ailleurs réalisable que si les autres Etats membres étaient prêts a renoncer a une partie de leur part de la réserve, ce qui n'est pas le cas.

En ce qui concerne les quotas des autres Etats membres pour un certain nombre de produits, on a constaté qu'ils ont été calculés a l'époque sur la base de chiffres erronés. La Commission a proposé qu'une adaptation technique soit apportée en laissant inchangés les critères de base. La France souhaite avoir une correction plus substantielle, notamment pour le fer blanc et le fil machine, demande qui a provoqué des souhaits également de la part d'autres délégations. Comme la demande des Grecs, ce point a été renvoyé aux experts.

Amitiés,

Manuel SANTARELLI. Comeur 12h30////



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NOTE BIO(83) 377, SUITE 2, AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX  
CC AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE DU PORTE-PAROLE

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OBJET : CONSEIL DES MINISTRES DES AFFAIRES ETRANGERES  
(R. ELPHICK)

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BUDGET :

MINISTERS HAD A SHORT AND INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION AT THE  
INSISTENCE OF THE UK REPRESENTATIVE ABOUT THE AMOUNT FOR UK  
COMPENSATION WRITTEN INTO THE SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET  
FOR 1983. THE UK DELEGATION CLAIMED THIS (307 MECU) WAS  
INSUFFICIENT AND FAILED TO FULFIL THE AGREEMENT OF OCTOBER 26  
LAST ON RISK SHARING WHICH WOULD, THE UK DELEGATE SAID, HAVE  
YIELDED 102 MECU MORE. THE POINT WAS DISPUTED BY OTHER DELE-  
GATIONS AND THE DEBATE ENDED WITH THE UK DELEGATE SAYING  
THEY WOULD RAISE IT ON OTHER OCCASIONS.

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NOTE BIO(83) 377, SUITE 3, AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX  
CC AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE DU PORTE-PAROLE

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OBJET : CONSEIL DES MINISTRES DES AFFAIRES ETRANGERES (N. KEERY)

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GROENLAND

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LE DEGAGEMENT D UN ACCORD SUR LES RAPPORTS FUTURS ENTRE LE  
GROENLAND ET LA COMMUNAUTE EST PREVU MAINTENANT POUR LE CONSEIL  
DE NOVEMBRE. CE PROGRES VERS UN CONSENSUS EST POSSIBLE GRACE  
A TROIS ELEMENTS DANS LE DEBAT AU CONSEIL D AUJOURD HUI :

1. LE PROJET DE CONCLUSIONS D ENSEMBLE DU CONSEIL PRESENTE  
PAR LA PRESIDENCE ETAIT ACCUEILLI COMME BASE DE TRAVAIL PAR  
TOUTES LES DELEGATIONS.

2. UN TOUR DES POINTS DE VUE DE TOUTES LES DELEGATIONS A  
CLARIFIE EN TERMES POLITIQUES LES RESERVES IMPORTANTES  
DES ALLEMANDS ET DES DANOIS.

3. LE RAPPROCHEMENT DES DELEGATIONS A PERMIT A M. BURKE, POUR  
LA COMMISSION, DE DONNER UNE REPONSE AFFIRMATIVE A LA DEMANDE  
DE PLUSIEURS DELEGATIONS D E LABORER UN ARRANGEMENT DE  
COMPROMIS EN MATIERE DE PECHE ENTRE LE GROENLAND ET LA COMMU-  
NAUTE. (LE POINT SERA A L ORDRE DU JOUR DE LA REUNION DE LA  
COMMISSION DU 28 SEPTEMBRE.)..

LE COREPER TRAVAILLERA D ICI NOVEMBRE SUR BASE DE CES ELEMENTS.

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NOTE BIO(83) 377, SUITE 4, AUX BUREAUX NATIONAUX  
CC AUX MEMBRES DU GROUPE DU PORTE-PAROLE DE LA COMMISSION

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OBJET : CONSEIL DES MINISTRES DES AFFAIRES  
ETRANGERES (M. GUERRIN)

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LE CONSEIL A ACHEVE SES TRAVAUX CONCERNANT LE MANDAT DONNE  
A LA COMMISSION POUR CONDUIRE LES PROCHAINES  
NEGOCIATIONS CONCERNANT LE RENOUVELLEMENT DE LA CONVENTION  
DE LOME.

PARTI LES DIFFERENTS POINTS LAISSES EN SUSPENS LORS DU CONSEIL  
DU 18 JUILLET DERNIER FIGURAIENT NOTAMMENT :

- LA RESERVE D APPUI AUX POLITIQUES DE DEVELOPPEMENT DES ACP  
DONT LE PRINCIPE A FAIT L OBJET D UN ASSEZ LARGE CONSENSUS  
ENTRE LES DELEGATIONS, MAIS DONT L OPPORTUNITE ET LES MODALITES  
SERONT DETERMINEES ULTERIEUREMENT

- STATUT DES DOM DANS LEURS RELATIONS COMMERCIALES AVEC LES  
ACP QUI DEVRAIT FAIRE L OBJET D UN TRAITEMENT SPECIFIQUE  
DANS UN CADRE REGIONAL

- L ACCES AUX PRODUITS AGRICOLES DISPONIBLES DE LA COMMUNAUTE  
QUI DOIT ENCORE FAIRE L OBJET D UN EXAMEN AU SEIN DU COREPER.

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