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- Foreign Affairs -

Brussels, 17 December 1985

President: Mr Jacques F. POOS

Minister for Foreign Affairs  
of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

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

Belgium:

Mr Leo TINDEMANS Minister for External Relations

Denmark:

Mr Uffe ELLEMANN-JENSEN (\*) Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Knud-Erik TYGESEN State Secretary,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Germany:

Mr Hans-Dietrich GENSCHER (\*) Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Lutz STAVERNHAGEN Minister of State,  
Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr Jürgen RUHFUS (\*) State Secretary,  
Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Greece:

Mr Théodoros PANGALOS Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

France:

Mr Roland DUMAS (\*) Minister for Foreign Relations

Mrs Catherine LALUMIERE State Secretary attached to the  
Minister for Foreign Relations  
with responsibility for European Affairs

Ireland:

Mr Peter BARRY (\*) Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Jim O'KEEFFE Minister of State,  
Department of Foreign Affairs

Italy:

Mr Giulio ANDREOTTI (\*) Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Mario FIORET State Secretary,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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Luxembourg:

Mr Jacques F. POOS	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Robert GOEBBELS	State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Netherlands:

Mr H. VAN DEN BROEK	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr W.F. VAN EEKELEN (*)	State Secretary for Foreign Affairs

United Kingdom:

Sir Geoffrey HOWE (*)	Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
Mr Paul CHANNON	Minister for Trade

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Commission:

Mr Jacques DELORS (*)	President
Mr Willy DE CLERCQ	Member
Mr Carlo RIPA DI MEANA (*)	Member
Mr Grigoris VARFIS	Member

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The following also participated as observers:

Spain:

Mr Pedro SOLBES	State Secretary for Relations with the European Communities
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Portugal:

Mr Pedro PIRES DE MIRANDA	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr Victor MARTINS	State Secretary for European Affairs

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CONFERENCE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE  
MEMBER STATES

As instructed by the Heads of State and Government, the Conference of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States met on 16 and 17 December 1985.

Discussions resulted in a number of texts, which constitute the final outcome of proceedings of the Intergovernmental Conference convened following the European Council in Milan.

Certain proposals, which were tabled at the Conference but could not be dealt with, in particular on cultural affairs were sent back to the Ministers for Foreign Affairs who will decide what the follow-up should be.

The texts resulting from the Conference will be sent immediately to Member States, acceding States, the European Parliament and the Commission.

The Presidency will make the provisions necessary for legal/linguistic preparation and finalization of the texts.

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RENEWAL OF THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN  
TEXTILES

The Council was given an introductory account by Commissioner DECLERCQ of the Commission proposals for renegotiating the MFA.

The Council held a brief discussion on this, which enabled the delegations to indicate their initial reactions.

In conclusion, the Council instructed the Permanent Representatives Committee to examine the proposals in preparation for the substantive debate to be held at its meeting on 27 and 28 January 1986.

RELATIONS WITH THE EFTA COUNTRIES

The Council summed up on negotiations with the EFTA countries concerning the Protocols of Adaptation of the Free Trade Agreements consequent upon the accession of Spain and Portugal.

The Council requested the Commission to continue its talks with the EFTA countries in order to reach a swift, balanced and mutually acceptable solution, and said it was convinced that all parties concerned would be suitably flexible on the various topics covered by the negotiations.

ERDF - ACCESSION OF SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

The Council recorded its agreement <sup>(1)</sup> to the adaptations to the Regulation on the European Regional Development Fund necessary to take account of the accession of Spain and Portugal.

In the main, the amending Regulation includes the two new Member States in the range system of the ERDF and makes them eligible for aid from the Fund from the time of accession.

The new ranges for use of ERDF resources are as follows:

%

Member State	Lower limit	Upper limit
Belgium	0,61	0,82
Denmark	0,34	0,46
Germany	2,55	3,40
Greece	8,36	10,64
Spain	17,97	23,93
France	7,48	9,96
Ireland	3,82	4,61
Italy	21,62	28,79
Luxembourg	0,04	0,06
Netherlands	0,68	0,91
Portugal	10,66	14,20
United Kingdom	14,50	19,31

The Regulation also stipulates that, until 31 December 1990 by way of derogation from the general rules, the rates of the ERDF's contribution to the financing of projects or programmes in the Portuguese regions may be increased by 20 points up to a maximum rate of 70%.

This will be formally adopted in the next few days.

<sup>(1)</sup> One delegation maintained a reservation at the Council, but this was subsequently withdrawn on Wednesday morning.

COMBATING RACIALISM AND XENOPHOBIA

The Council held a discussion on ways of combating racialism and xenophobia on the basis of the Commission proposal forwarded to the Parliament and the Council and the draft declaration submitted by France.

It said it would like a solemn declaration on this by the three Institutions to be adopted, rejecting all forms of racial or xenophobic intolerance, suspicion and hostility, reaffirming the need for measures to facilitate the protection of individuals, their integration in society and respect for their identity and stressing the importance of keeping citizens adequately informed.

It was decided that the three Institutions would reach agreement as soon as possible so that this joint document could be adopted next January after the next part-session of the Parliament.

CANCER CONTROL

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs discussed the problem of cancer control following an initiative by France and Italy at the European Council in Milan, which was re-examined by the European Council in Luxembourg. That initiative included proposals for a cancer control programme and dealt more especially with prevention and research.

The Commission has already made proposals, and these are currently being examined by the Council.

The Ministers decided to speed up work on this and requested the Permanent Representatives Committee to report back to the Council as quickly as possible.

During the Council's discussions, a Group of High-Level Experts will also be meeting at the initiative of the Commission to examine the French and Italian suggestions. The first meeting has been fixed for 24 January 1986.

The aim is to work out practical details for action in this sphere before the end of February.

DEVELOPMENT VOLUNTEERS

The Council took note of an initiative by France and Germany, which proposed that the other Member States should participate in their European Development Volunteers Programme.

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MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS

Generalized Scheme of Preferences for 1986

In accordance with the common position established for the Generalized Scheme of Preferences for 1986 at its meeting on 25 and 26 November (see Press Release 10707/85 (Presse 179)), the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities three Regulations applying the 1986 Scheme to industrial, textile and agricultural products.

Furthermore, the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the ECSC, meeting within the Council, adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision applying for 1986 the generalized tariff preferences for certain steel products originating in developing countries.

Mediterranean and Financial Protocols

The Council approved as a common policy the draft Regulation on application of the Financial Protocols with Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, the Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Malta and Cyprus; the text will be forwarded to the European Parliament.

ERDF

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- on the establishment of specific Community regional development measures in 1985 and amending Regulation (EEC) No 1787/84;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 2617/80 instituting a specific Community regional development measure contributing to overcoming constraints on the development of new economic activities in certain zones adversely affected by restructuring of the shipbuilding industry;

- amending Regulation (EEC) No 219/84 instituting a specific Community regional development measure contributing to overcoming constraints on the development of new economic activities in certain zones adversely affected by restructuring of the textile and clothing industry;
- amending Regulation (EEC) No 2619/80 instituting a specific Community regional development measure contributing to the improvement of the economic and social situation of the border areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland;
- establishing a specific Community regional development measure contributing to the development of new economic activities in certain zones affected by the implementation of the Community fisheries policy

These four measures are a final series of non-quota measures, which were already envisaged at the time of the second series of measures decided on in 1984. In the case of shipbuilding, the textile and clothing sector and the border areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland, they are an extension of measures already begun, and in the case of fisheries, the measure is a new one.

As there was no longer provision for this type of measure in the new ERDF Regulation which entered into force at the beginning of 1985, it was necessary to make special provision so that these measures would still be possible.

Estimated expenditure for the measures over the five years needed to implement them was 144 MECU.

The countries concerned are:

Denmark	: fisheries
Germany	: shipbuilding, textile and clothing, fisheries
France	: shipbuilding, fisheries
Ireland	: border areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland
Italy	: shipbuilding
United Kingdom:	shipbuilding, fisheries, border areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

## Agriculture

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- amending for the eighth time Regulation (EEC) No 351/79 concerning the addition of alcohol to products in the wine sector. This Regulation extends for 9 months (until 30 September 1986) present rules concerning the addition of alcohol, which expire on 31 December 1985;
- opening a Community tariff quota (2 250 t) for frozen buffalo meat falling within subheading 02.01 A II b) 4 bb)33 of the Common Customs Tariff, with a duty of 20% (1986);
- opening a Community tariff quota (29 800 t) for high-quality, fresh, chilled or frozen beef and veal (Hilton beef) falling within subheadings 02.01 A II a) and b) of the Common Customs Tariff, with a duty of 20% (1986).

## Fisheries

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities Regulations:

- fixing for the 1986 fishing year the guide prices for fishery products listed in Annex I(A) and (D) to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81:

(ECU/tonne)

Species	Commercial specifications (*)			Guide price				
	Freshness category	Size	Presentation					
1. Herrings	Extra, A	1	Whole fish	326				
2. Sardines ( <i>Sardina pilchardus</i> ):								
(a) Atlantic	Extra	3	Whole fish	537				
(b) Mediterranean	Extra	3	Whole fish	459				
3. Dogfish ( <i>Squalus acanthias</i> )	Extra, A	2	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	861				
4. Dogfish ( <i>Scyliorhinus</i> spp)	Extra, A	1	Whole fish Gutted fish with head	814				
5. Redfish ( <i>Sebastes</i> spp)	A	2	Whole fish	854				
6. Cod	A or A	2 3	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head	1 183				
7. Saithe	A or A	2 3	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head	843				
8. Haddock	A or A	2 3	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head	868				
9. Whiting	A or A	2 3	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head	791				
10. Ling	Extra, A	1, 2	Gutted fish with head	902				
11. Mackerel	Extra or A	1 2	Whole fish Whole fish	283				
12. Anchovies	Extra	2	Whole fish	578				
13. Plaice	A or A	2 3	Gutted fish with head Gutted fish with head	<table border="0"> <tr> <td rowspan="2">} 1 January to 30 April 198 6</td> <td rowspan="2">} 766</td> </tr> <tr> <td>} 1 May to 31 December 198 6</td> <td>} 1 045</td> </tr> </table>	} 1 January to 30 April 198 6	} 766	} 1 May to 31 December 198 6	} 1 045
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14. Hake ( <i>Merluccius merluccius</i> )	A	2	Gutted fish with head	2 528				
15 Shrimps of the genus <i>Crangon</i> <i>crangon</i>	A	1	Simply boiled in water	1 530				

(\*) The freshness categories, sizes and presentation are defined pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81.

- fixing for the 1986 fishing year the guide prices for the fishery products listed in Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No 3796/81;

Group of products	Commercial specifications	Guide price (ECU per tonne)
1. Sardines	Frozen, in lots or in original packages containing the same products	389
2. Sea-bream of the species <i>Dentex dentex</i> and <i>Pagellus spp</i>	Frozen, in lots or in original packages containing the same products	1 249
3. Squid ( <i>Loligo vulgaris</i> )	Frozen, not cleaned, in original packages containing the same products	2 498
4. Squid ( <i>Todarodes sagittatus</i> )	Frozen, not cleaned, in original packages containing the same products	1 151
5. Squid ( <i>Illex illecebrosus</i> )	Frozen, not cleaned, in original packages containing the same products	1 209
6. Cuttlefish of the species <i>Sepia officinalis</i> , <i>Russia macrissima</i> and <i>Sepioida rondeletti</i>	Frozen, in original packages containing the same products	1 594
7. Octopus	Frozen, in original packages containing the same products	1 223

- fixing for the 1986 fishing year the Community producer price (1479 ECU/tonne) for tuna intended for the canning industry (whole albacore weighing more than 10 kg each).
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of Community tariff quotas for herrings, fresh or chilled, falling within subheading ex 03.01 B I a) 2 aa) of the Common Customs Tariff: 15 000 tonnes allocated as follows: Denmark (7 910 tonnes for whole herring and 130 tonnes for flaps of herring), Germany (2 290 tonnes for whole herring and 1 670 tonnes for flaps of herring), reserve (2 550 t and 450 t respectively);

- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for deep-frozen fillets and minced blocks of Alaska pollack (*Theragra chalcogramma*) falling within subheadings ex 03.01 B I n) 2 and ex 03.01 B II b) 14 of the Common Customs Tariff: 4 500 (allocated as follows: Germany (1 800 t), France (1 450 t), United Kingdom (1 000 t), reserve (250 t));
- opening, allocating and providing for the administration of a Community tariff quota for deep-frozen fillets and minced blocks of hake (*Merluccius spp*) falling within subheadings ex 03.01 B II b) 9 and ex 03.01 B I t) 2 of the Common Customs Tariff: 1 300 tonnes allocated as follows: Germany (1 000 t), France (200 t), reserve (100 t).

Finally, the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Republic of Senegal amending, for the second time, the Agreement on fishing off the coast of Senegal, and the conclusion of the new Protocol thereto.

#### Social Affairs

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Regulation on the organization of a labour force sample survey in the Spring of 1986.

Appointments

The Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision appointing:

- Mr K.G. KRACHTEN a member of the Advisory Committee on Vocational Training in place of Mr R. RADDATZ for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 14 July 1987, and
- Mr R. RADDATZ an alternate member of the Advisory Committee on Vocational Training in place of Mr K.G. KRACHTEN for the remainder of the latter's term of office, which runs until 14 July 1987.

The Council also adopted in the official languages of the Communities a Decision renewing the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training for the period from 17 December 1985 to 16 December 1988, namely the following members:

I. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Belgium	Mr Alphonse VERLINDEN
Denmark	Ms Birgit BUDUDU
Germany	Mr Alfred HARDENACKE
Greece	Mr Yakovos YAKOVIDIS
France	Mr André RAMOFF
Ireland	Mr Arthur P. O'REILLY
Italy	Mr Giuseppe CACOPARDI
Luxembourg	Mr Norbert HAUPERT
Netherlands	Mr Th. de KEULENAAR
United Kingdom	Mr J.K. FULLER

II. REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYERS' ORGANIZATIONS

Belgium	Mr Alfons DE VADDER
Denmark	Mr Preben KRISTIANSEN
Germany	Mr Helmut BRUMHARD
Greece	Mr Evangelos BOUMIS
France	Miss Marie-José MONTALESCOT
Ireland	Mr Anthony BROWN
Italy	Mr Vincenzo ROMANO
Luxembourg	Mr Eugène MULLER
Netherlands	Mr J.B. DE LEEUWE
United Kingdom	Mr Tony JACKSON

III. REPRESENTATIVES OF WORKERS' ORGANIZATIONS

Belgium	Mrs Anne-Françoise THEUNISSEN
Denmark	Mr Christian Aagaard HANSEN
Germany	Mr Felix KEMPF
Greece	Mr Georgios DASSIS
France	Mr Michel TISSIER
Ireland	Mr Tom McGRATH
Italy	Mr Carmelo CEDRONE
Luxembourg	Mr Jean REGENWETTER
Netherlands	Mr G.A. CREMERS
United Kingdom	Mr Fred JARVIS



Finally, the Council adopted in the official languages of the Communities the Decision appointing the members and alternate members of the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work for the period from 17 December 1985 to 16 December 1988, namely:

I. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

	(a) <u>Members</u>		(b) <u>Alternates</u>	
Belgium	Mr BENS	Mr DENONNE	Mr DE GREVE	Mr CAJOT
Denmark	Mr GROVE	Mr ANDERSEN	Mr SAXILD	Mr HANSEN
Germany	Mr NOETHLICHS	Mr WOLFF	Mr OFFERMANN	Mr HORNEFFER
Greece	Mr VASSILOPOULOS	Mrs GEORGOPOULOU	Mrs KAFETZOPOULOU	Mr ZORBAS
France	Mr JEAN	Mr LAROQUE	Mr ERNST	Mr ROBERT
Ireland	Miss O'CALLAGHAN	Mr WALSH	Mr NEVILLE	Mr O'BRIEN
Italy	Mr FIORE	Mr FREDELLA	Mrs ROCCA	Mr GUERRIERI
Luxembourg	Mr SCHUSTER	Mr RUME	Mr GLODT	Mr DEMUTH
Netherlands	Mr DE ROOS	Mr SICCAMA	Mr RIJMENSPOEL	Mr VOS
United Kingdom	Mr MARTIN	Mr BURGESS	Mrs CATTO	Mr CARTER

II. EMPLOYERS' REPRESENTATIVES

	(a) <u>Members</u>		(b) <u>Alternates</u>	
Belgium	Mr CORDY	Mr LEONARD	Mr BORMANS	Mr HARDY
Denmark	Mr FALK	Mr JEPSEN	Mr LINIUS	Mr DALBERG
Germany	Mr von HASSELL	Mr BOESHAGEN	Mr MUELLER	Mr HARTMANN
Greece	Mr TSAMADO- POJLOS	Mr ZIMALIS	Mr KALDIS	Mr VGOTZAS
France	Mr PEYRICAL	Mr TASSIN	Mrs CORMAN	Mr FRUCHET
Ireland	Mr RICE	Mr O'CONNOR	Mrs CARROLL	Mr CASSIDY
Italy	Mr GIUSTI	Mr BUSSETTI	Mr GARLANDA	Mr SCARFINI
Luxembourg	Mr FERRY	Mr OLINGER	Mr BERWEILER	Mr BEFFORT
Netherlands	Mr DEN BOER	Mrs DE MEESTER	Mr KORTEN	Mrs VAN WAGENBURG
United Kingdom	Miss MACKIE	Mr DAVIS	Mr EBERLIE	Miss WEBSTER

III. WORKERS' REPRESENTATIVES

	(a) <u>Members</u>		(b) <u>Alternates</u>	
Belgium	Mr SILON	Mr THYRE	Mr KENNES	Mr HAAZE
Denmark	Mr BØGH	Mrs CHRISTENSEN	Mr HEEGAARD	Mrs SVANHOLT
Germany	Mr KONSTANTY	Mr PARTIKEL	Mr HINNE	Mr EGELKRAUT
Greece	Mr LAIMOS	Mrs VASSILAKOU	Mr CHRISTO- DOULOU	Mr GERANIOS
France	Mr MARTIN	Mr GUEVEL	Mr SAIU	Mr SEDES
Ireland	Mr BRANIGAN	Mr O'SULLIVAN	Mr O'HALLORAN	Mr KEATING
Italy	Mr LELI	Mrs TOMASSINI	Mr STANZANI	Mrs BRIGHI
Luxembourg	Mr NURENBERG	Mr GROBEN	Mr DUNKEL	Mr GIAFDIN
Netherlands	Mr BUNT	Mr VAN DE KAMP	Mr SCHMITZ	Mr MULLER
United Kingdom	Mr GREENDALE	Mr JACQUES	Mr BUCKTON	Mr HAMILTON

Bruxelles, le 17 decembre 1985.

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CONSEIL AFFAIRES ETRANGERES (F. LE BAIL)  
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Renouvellement de l'Accord Multifibres (AMF)  
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Comme il etait prevu, le Conseil a fait un premier tour de table sur les propositions de la Commission en vue du renouvellement de l'AMF sans toutefois prendre de decision sur ce sujet. Mr De Clercq a presente les propositions de la Commission qui prevoient un renouvellement de l'AMF pour une periode de 4 ans et un certain assouplissement dans sa mise en oeuvre. Il a en outre souligne qu'une decision devait etre prise d'une maniere urgente pour que la Communaute puisse participer activement aux discussions qui se derouleront des le debut de l'annee 86 a Geneve. Des discussions qui ont suivi, il ressort que les Etats membres ou futurs etats membres dont l'industrie textile continue a représenter une part importante de leurs exportations sont preoccupes par la liberalisation proposee par la Commission. Par contre, l'ensemble des autres delegations ne parait pas avoir de problemes majeurs avec les propositions de la Commission, certaines d'entre elles (RFA. DK) souhaitant meme qu'elles puissent etre plus liberales.

Le Conseil a donc decide de renvoyer le dossier aux experts et de retraiter de ce sujet a sa prochaine reunion fin janvier 1986 en vue d'arreter le mandat a ce moment la.

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- AELE  
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Le Conseil a brievement discute en seance restreinte du probleme de l'adaptation des accords AELE du fait de l'elargissement. Ces negociations sont quasiment bloques. Les pays de l'AELE estimant inacceptable le mandat de la Commission en particulier sur deux points : la demande que les pays de l'AELE accordent le droit 0 aux produits industriels espagnols et portugais des 1986, la demande du Portugal de ne plus avoir de surveillance sur ~~les~~<sup>ses</sup> exportations de textile vers les pays de l'AELE, c'est-a-dire d'etre mieux traite que quand il etait membre de l'AELE.

La Commission ne demandait pas de modification du mandat mais un certain assouplissement des positions lors de la negociation.

Le Conseil a conclu que les pourparlers avec l'AELE se poursuivraient et que les Etats membres devraient faire a cette occasion preuve de plus de souplesse.

Il est rappele que jusqu'au 28 fevrier 1986, le standstill est maintenu dans les relations entre la Communaute et l'AELE.

Ami

  
H. PAEMEN

