

20 Kensington Palace Gardens London W8 4Q Q Telephone: 01-727 8090

April 13, 1983

'WHY HAVE A PARTY'

European Commission publication on 10 years of UK membership

The European Commission today issued a brochure entitled 'Why have a Party?' to mark 10 years' British membership of the Common Market. The brochure summarises in text and illustration the impact of British membership on jobs, investment and relations with the rest of the world.

'This publication focuses on aspects of Community membership which are often forgotten in the arguments over butter mountains and budget contributions', says Mr George Scott, Head of the Commission's UK offices.

'The last 10 years have not been easy ones for the United Kingdom, nor for any of its partners, but we are convinced that belonging to the Community has helped to maintain jobs, has attracted new investment and has strengthened Britain's position in the world. In short, we think there is something to celebrate.'

Copies of the brochure are available free of charge from

EC Distribution Department P. O. Box 22 Weston-super-Mare Avon BS24 9EW,

further information from Michael Berendt, Press Officer, at the above address, (home: 027979 3930).