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CHRISTOPHER AUDLAND, C.M.G.

Director General for Energy
Commission of the European Communities

Christopher Audland, C.M.G., is Director General for Energy for the EC Commission in Brussels, Belgium. In this position he is responsible for common EC policies in the energy field.

Mr Audland was born in 1926 and educated at Winchester College, England. From 1944 to 1948 he served in the British Royal Artillery as a Temporary Captain. He then joined the British Foreign Office and served in Bonn, Strasbourg (as Deputy to the British Permanent Representative to the Council of Europe) and at the British Embassy in Washington D.C. From 1963 to 1967 he was a member of the British Delegation to the negotiations with member states of the European Community.

He was Head of Chancery at the British Embassy in Buenos Aires from 1963 to 1967 and Head of the Science and Technology Department at the Foreign Office in London from 1968 to 1970. From 1970 to 1973 he was Counsellor and Head of Chancery at the British Embassy in Bonn and Deputy Leader of the British Delegation to the Four Power Negotiations in Berlin. In 1973 he moved to Brussels to become Deputy Secretary General for the EC Commission. He took over his present position earlier this year.

Mr Audland is married with two sons and one daughter. He is a British citizen.

September 1981

April 1981

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Christopher John AUDLAND

Born : 7 July 1926 in Wiesbaden

Nationality : British

Educated : Winchester College

Married, two sons; one daughter

1944 - 1948 : Service in the British Army
(Royal Artillery - Temporary Captain)

1948 - 1973 : Continuous employment in the British Diplomatic
Service

1948 - 1949 Foreign Office, London

1949 - 1952 Seconded for service in Bonn with the Control
Commission for Germany (British Element)

1952 - 1955 Vice-Consul at Strasbourg and Deputy to the British
Permanent Representative to the Council of Europe

1955 - 1958 British Embassy, Washington

1959 - 1961 Foreign Office, London

1961 - 1963 Member of the UK Delegation to the negotiations with
the Member States of the European Communities

1963 - 1967 Head of Chancery, British Embassy, Buenos Aires

1967 Common Market Department, Commonwealth Office, London

1968 - 1970 Head of Science and Technology Department, Foreign
Office, London

1970 - 1973 Counsellor (Head of Chancery), British Embassy, Bonn.
In this capacity served as Deputy Leader of the UK
Delegation to the Four Power negotiations in Berlin

1973 - Appointed Deputy Secretary-General, Commission of the
European Communities, Brussels:

1973 - 1977 Special responsibility for relations with the
European Parliament and the Economic & Social
Committee

1977 - 1981 Special responsibility for relations with the Council,
the Committee of Permanent Representatives and the
Political Co-operation

1.4.1981 Appointed Director-General of the Directorate-General
Energy.