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Biographical Note

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Mr. Janz was born August 18, 1920, in the Saar, Germany, the son of a coalminer. He took his primary and secondary education in Duisburg/Rhine and university studies in law, political science, and economy in Bucharest, Frankfort/Main, Bordeaux, Paris, and London. In 1962, he studied in the United States under the U.S. Government Leader Grant Program. Mr. Janz holds a doctorate in economics from the University of Saarbrücken.

In World War II, after being arrested by the Gestapo for clandestine Catholic youth activity, he performed labor and military service. In 1942-44, he was liaison officer between the German air force and the Romanian general staff in Bucharest.

In 1948-50, Mr. Janz served as secretary of the faculty and later as lecturer and professor of economics in the Faculty of Law and Economics at the University of Saarbrücken.

In 1952, a year after the signature of the Treaty creating the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), Mr. Janz joined the ECSC High Authority's staff where he edited general reports for the European Parliament and official publications. In 1958, he became an official spokesman for the High Authority. From 1967 to 1973, he was the Director for Information in the Directorate General for Press and Information at the Commission of the European Communities in Brussels.

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