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A Biographical Note

Claus STUFFMANN

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Mr. Stuffmam was born in 1929 in Berlin. In 1953, he received a degree in economics from the University of Freiburg. He studied political science at the Institute for Political Science in Paris. While studying for his economics degree (1951-53) he served as interpreter and administrator at the French High Commission in Freiburg.

He went into business for a number of years in 1953. In 1958, he joined the High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community as Assistant to the Director-General for Economy and Energy.

In 1967, time of the merger of the three Communities (Coal and Steel, Atomic Energy, and the European Economic Community or EEC), he joined the Cabinet of the President of the Commission of the European Communities, M. Jean Rey. He was responsible for economic, monetary and industrial affairs.

Since 1970, he has been a member of Commissioner Spinelli's Cabinet in charge of economic and monetary affairs and agriculture for the Commissioner. Mr. Spinelli is one of the two members of the Commission of the European Communities from Italy whose special responsibility among the 13-member Commission is industrial and technological policy. Mr. Stuffman was very instrumental in working out reforms in the common agricultural policy.

In his leisure time, Mr. Stuffmann likes to ski and to hike, and he is involved in environmental affairs. Mr. Stuffmann is married; he and his wife have two children, and they make their home in Brussels, Belgium.

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