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TRANSLATION OF EXTRACT FROM INTERVIEW WITH THE FEDERAL CHANCELLOR IN
CORRIERE DELLA SERA ON 26 FEBRUARY 1979.

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GUADELOUPE ETC.

Q. Mr Chancellor, the Guadeloupe meeting aroused a certain amount of uneasiness in the other countries. Don't you feel that similar meetings represent a kind of World Directory in contrast with the political relaunching of Europe?

A. At Guadeloupe no decisions were reached which commit the EEC or NATO. There was merely an exchange of views, just as there are exchanges in many other ways, nearly always in bilateral meetings. When I visit Andreotti or Andreotti visits me we also exchange views, but without in any way binding the EEC or NATO to any sort of decision. One must not, I think, overestimate the consequences of such meetings. Their essential purpose is to deepen the understanding of the point of view of the other countries taking part and to deepen one's personal knowledge.

Q. But at Guadeloupe it was also decided to help Turkey. Is this not a decision which is binding also on the countries which were not represented?

A. As regards aid to Turkey, this was one of the few decisions which was adopted. But immediately afterwards we submitted it to an international organization of which Italy, among other countries, also forms part, i.e. the O.E.C.D. which is at present dealing with the question. Moreover, the four countries which met at Guadeloupe would have been too weak financially to carry out a Turkish aid programme on their own. As regards Turkey, what we had planned was a proposal to other countries to carry out jointly a similar aid programme. And this is why the matter is now being actively pursued by the Governments represented in the O.E.C.D. and by the I.M.F. in Washington. The Guadeloupe conversations have harmed no one.



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