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PRIME MINISTER

Community Affairs

You will want to make this item very brief.

- 2. The <u>Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary</u> might be invited to report on the outcome of the 30 June Foreign Affairs Council and the related Association Council meeting with Turkey
 - a. It now seems likely that the Council and the European Parliament will soon settle the 1980 Budget.
 - b. Agreement has been reached on M Thorn as the next President of the Commission, although his formal nomination has run into difficulties because of his coincidental assumption of the Presidency of the Council from 1 July.
 - c. After lengthy negotiations, agreement was reached on measures to give new life to the Community's Association agreement with Turkey, including a fourth financial protocol amounting to 600 mus over the five years from October 1981. The Turks re-stated their intention to apply for membership of the Community.
- 3. The <u>Secretary of State for Education</u> might report on the outcome of the 27 June Education Council, which approved a modest Community programme of activities in the education field.
- 4. The Secretary of State for the Environment might report on the outcome of the 30 June Environment Council, which adopted Directives on sulphur dioxide and drinking water and agreed in principle at United Kingdom behest to a regulation banning the import of whale products into the Community.

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5. The <u>Minister of Agriculture</u> might report on his talks on fisheries with Commissioner Gundelach on 1 July.

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