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INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE: BRUSSELS, 25 NOVEMBER 1985.

COMMISSION'S ATTITUDE.

SUMMARY DELORS DISSOCIATES COMMISSION FROM I.G.C.

DETAIL.

1. TOWARDS THE END OF LUNCH ON 25 NOVEMBER, DELORS (PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION) SAID THAT, FROM NOW ON, THE COMMISSION WOULD TAKE NO FURTHER PART IN THE WORK OF THE IGC. THE COMMISSION WERE NOT MEMBERS OF THE IGC. HE WOULD NEITHER INTERVENE, NOR UPHOLD A VIEW. HE FELT THAT THE COMPROMISE PACKAGE WHICH WAS BEING DISCUSSED WOULD NOT MEET THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY FOR THE NEXT TWENTY YEARS. HE WOULD DISSOCIATE HIMSELF FROM THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE IGC. HE WAS GREATLY UPSET BY UK AND GERMAN ATTITUDES TO HIS MONETARY PROPOSALS (HE TOOK PARTICULAR EXCEPTION TO A GERMAN PRESS CAMPAIGN AGAINST HIM). BUT HIS DECISION STEMMED FROM BROADER CONSIDERATIONS.

2. POOS (PRESIDENCY) APPEALED TO HIM TO CHANGE HIS MIND, SAYING THAT, IF A COMPROMISE WAS ACCEPTABLE TO ALL, A DECLARATION OF THIS KIND WOULD RISK THE COLLAPSE OF THE IGC. DELORS SAID THAT HE DID NOT WISH TO PRODUCE THAT RESULT. HE WOULD GIVE NO INTERVIEWS AND EXPRESS NO POINT OF VIEW ON THE OUTCOME OF THE CONFERENCE. BUT THIS COMPROMISE WOULD NOT DO. ANDREOTTI (ITALY) SAID THAT NO COMPROMISE YET EXISTED.

COMMENT:

3. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT DID NOT PREVENT DELORS FROM TAKING AN ACTIVE PART IN THE DISCUSSION OF THE INTERNAL MARKET AND COHESION AFTER LUNCH. BUT HE HAS A PRESS CONFERENCE MID WEEK AND AN APPEARANCE BEFORE THE EP INSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON 28 NOVEMBER AND MAY WELL EXPRESS SIMILAR VIEWS THEN.

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