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REVISED RESPONSIBILITIES OF EUROPEAN COMMISSIONERS AFTER ENLARGEMENT

I understand that the responsibilities of the Spanish and Portuguese Commissioners and the main changes in the responsibilities of the existing Commissioners are:-

Senor Marin From Mr Sutherland Social Affairs.

education and training

Employment From Herr Pfeiffer

From Herr Pfeiffer Credit and investment (DGXVIII)

Small and medium From Herr Narjes

businesses

Senor Cardoso E Cunha Fisheries From Mr Andriessen

Herr Pfeiffer Regional Policy From Mr Varfis

Mr Sutherland Relations with the From Mr Varfis

European Parliament

Mr Andriessen Forestry From Mr Clinton Davis

Mr Varfis New dossier

Co-ordination of the structural funds

Consumer protection From Mr Clinton Davis

My conclusions from this are that Senor Marin has obtained a reasonably important portfolio covering employment and social affairs; that the United Kingdom Commissioners have come out very well, as Lord Cockfield has lost nothing and Mr Clinton Davis has

lost only forestry and consumer protection but retained both environment and transport; that Herr Pfeiffer and, in particular, Mr Varfis, have reduced responsibilities. The changes reflect very clearly Monsieur Delors' policy of keeping the more important dossiers in the hands of those who are doing well and reducing the responsibilities of those who are making little impression.

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