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COREPER (AMBASSADORS) 7 MARCH 1984

PREPARATION FOR EUROPEAN COUNCIL

SUMMARY

1. EUROPEAN COUNCIL WILL START WITH LUNCH ON 19 MARCH AND MAY GO ON UNTIL THE EVENING OF 20 MARCH. PRESIDENCY UNABLE TO SAY WHAT PAPERS WERE LIKELY TO BE PRODUCED.

DETAIL

2. AT COREPER LUNCH LEPRETTE (PRESIDENCY) ANNOUNCED THAT THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL WOULD START WITH LUNCH (ON THE 15TH FLOOR OF THE CHARLEMAGNE) ON MONDAY 19 MARCH. HE ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL SHOULD BE PREPARED TO REMAIN UNTIL POSSIBLY QUITE LATE ON TUESDAY EVENING, 20 MARCH.

3. UNDER PRESSURE TO EXPLAIN WHAT PAPERS WERE TO BE PRODUCED BY WHOM BEFORE THE 12/13 MARCH MEETINGS AND THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND WHEN SUCH PAPERS WOULD BE AVAILABLE LEPRETTE COULD ONLY SAY THAT A SECRETARIAT REPORT ON THE DISCUSSIONS THIS WEEK AND LAST WEEK IN COREPER AND A PRESIDENCY PAPER ON NEW POLICIES AND STRUCTURAL FUNDS WOULD BE AVAILABLE 'BY FRIDAY'. HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT OTHER PAPERS WERE LIKELY TO EMERGE AT OR AFTER THE 12/13 MARCH MEETINGS. HE WAS ALSO UNABLE TO SAY WHETHER THE DISCUSSION IN THE COUNCIL (AS OPPOSED TO THE INFORMAL MEETING) ON 12 MARCH WOULD GET INTO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE NEGOTIATION, BUT HE THOUGHT IT QUITE LIKELY THAT IT WOULD.

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