

Letter from Christian Calmes to Max Kohnstamm (Luxembourg, 3 March 1953)

Caption: On 3 March 1953, Christian Calmes, Secretary-General of the Special Council of Ministers of the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), forwards the agenda for the first meeting of the Coordination Committee (Cocor) to Max Kohnstamm, Secretary of the High Authority. Responsible for preparing Council meetings, this Committee is seen as the predecessor of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (Coreper) to the Councils of the European Economic Community (EEC) and the European Atomic Energy Community (EAEC or Euratom).

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Mr KOHNSTAMM,
Secretary of the High Authority, Luxembourg

Dear Sir,

It is my honour to inform you that, on the initiative of the President of the Council, the Coordination Committee of the Council has been convened for Thursday 5 March, in Luxembourg, with the agenda at annex. The members of the Commission will be accompanied by experts for questions concerning the Common Market.

The Council would appreciate it if the High Authority could be represented at the meeting on Thursday afternoon.

Yours faithfully,

Annex

The Secretary

(CALMES)

Coordination Commission of the ECSC Council of Ministers

Meeting of 5 March 1953 in Luxembourg

Agenda

- (1) Adoption of the agenda
- (2a) Coordination of the six Member States' positions on all questions to be discussed at the OEEC concerning the ECSC
- (2b) Organisation of that coordination
- (2c) The Association between the OEEC and the ECSC
- (3) Follow-up action on the letters addressed to the Council by several trade unions
- (4) Establishment of the Technical Committee of the Common Market
- (5) Information on organising cooperation between Member States' customs administrations
- (6) Examination of Switzerland's replies to Member States' notification on exemptions
- (7) Establishment of the Committee on Trade Policy Questions
- (8) Preparation of the work of the sixth session of the Council
- (9) Other matters