

Letter from Oliver Harvey to Robert Schuman (Paris, 9 June 1951)

Caption: On 9 June 1951, Oliver Harvey, UK Ambassador to Paris, writes to Robert Schuman, French Foreign Minister, to tell him that the British Government is keen to examine the Treaty establishing the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), with which it might be associated.

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BRITISH EMBASSY
PARIS

9th June, 1951.

Your Excellency,

On instructions from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom welcome the fact that agreement has been reached on the form of the Treaty setting up a European Coal and Steel Community. His Majesty's Government are studying the text of the Treaty and are most anxious to consider how far and by what means they can be associated with the organization to be established under it. His Majesty's Government will be glad to discuss these questions in due course.

I have the honour to be,
with the Highest consideration,
Monsieur le President
Your Excellency's obedient Servant,
Signed: Oliver Harvey