# Amendment proposed by the French delegation to the draft reply to written question 206 on Afghanistan (26 March 1980)

**Caption:** On 26 March 1980, the French delegation to the Council of Western European Union (WEU) proposes an amendment to the third and fourth sentences of the draft reply to written question 206 on the situation in Afghanistan. The amendment suggests referring to the communiqué issued after the meeting of the Nine on 19 February 1980, at which the foreign ministers took the view that the crisis could be overcome by an arrangement which allowed a neutral Afghanistan to be outside competition among the powers.

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Draft reply to written question 206 (C (80) 49)

#### Amendment proposed by the French delegation

Amend the third and fourth sentences to read as follows, reproducing the terms of the communiqué issued after the meeting referred to:

At their meeting on 19th February, 1980, the Foreign Ministers of the Nine took the view that the crisis could be overcome constructively through an arrangement which allowed a neutral Afghanistan to be outside competition among the powers. Accordingly, they decided to go into this point more thoroughly and to concert their position on the subject with all allied and friendly countries and with all countries having an interest in the equilibrium and stability of the region.

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