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Harley, David



10/12/1948 Sussex [United Kingdom]

David Harley graduated with a BA in Modern Languages from the University of Cambridge in 1971. He began working as a European Parliament (EP) official in 1975 and remained there until his retirement in 2010. He held various posts within the Parliament including: Adviser in the Cabinet of the President Lord Plumb from 1987 to 1989.

He was then adviser in the Cabinet of the Secretary-General of the EP, Enrico Vinci from 1989 to 1995. From 1995 to 1997, Harley was Head of Secretariat, Bureau and the Conference of Presidents. From there he was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the Socialist Group in the European Parliament.

In 1999 he became Spokesman of the Parliament and Director of Press and Media, a position he held until 2004. During the latter two years, he was also Spokesman of the President Pat Cox. From 2004 to 2007 he was Secretary-General of the Socialist Group in the European Parliament. His final appointment was as Deputy Secretary-General of the European Parliament from 2007 to 2010.

Harley is currently part of the Advisory Council of the Foreign Policy Center and of the Independent Complaints Board of the UK Labour Party. He was appointed to the Order of St Michael and St George with a CMG (Companion) in Queen Elizabeth's birthday honours in 2011 for 'Services to international diplomacy and UK-European Parliament relations'. Following Brexit, Harley obtained Irish citizenship.

David Harley's published works include: 'Matters of Record - Inside European Politics' (2021), 'The Forgotten Tribe - British MEPs' 1979-2020 (2022 co-editor), 'Sidetracked' (2019) fiction, plus numerous articles on EU politics.

David Harley

Documents from 1989 to 2010

The diaries are intended to hold up a mirror to both the internal and external workings of the European Union during a significant period of its development. The years 1992-2010 saw the creation of the single market, the introduction of the Euro, several revisions of the treaty including the proposal for a constitution, important new legislative and scrutiny powers for the European Parliament (EP), negative results in referendums held in France, the Netherlands, Ireland, Denmark and Sweden, and the accession of 15 new member states. These years also brought numerous turbulent external events, including the tragedy of 9/11, the subsequent war in Iraq, the collapse of the Middle-East peace process, and the resulting tensions in relations between Europe and the US. The way the EU reacted to these events at the time helped to shape the EU as it is today.

These records provide an insider's view, from one particular perspective within the EP of what it was like to work for the EU during those years and how the EU related to its own citizens and to the media.

In parallel, given that much of this period coincided with the 13 years of Labour government in the UK under Tony Blair and later under Gordon Brown, the diaries also trace the evolution of British attitudes to Europe, on the basis of privileged access to ministers and senior government advisers in Downing Street and Whitehall.

Notes/remarks: These notebooks were used by the depositor, David Harley as the primary sources for his book "Matters of Record - Inside European Politics: The Diaries of David Harley 1992-2010, John Harper Publishing, 2021

Size: 62 notebooks, 5 files Materials: Textual Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Adviser in the Cabinet of European Parliament President Lord Plumb

Documents from 1987 to 1989 Size: 1 notebook Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Cefile: DAH-1 30/01/1989 - 13/02/1989

David Harley Notebook No. 1

Meeting between Lord Plumb and President Arias, President of Costa Rica, 30/1/89, topics discussed: blocked peace process, European Parliament's (EP) position - "no peace without democracy"; Subjects for impending press conference: debt, EP's role in Latin American conflicts, in defence of democracy and human rights, visit to Argentina; Arias' difficulties in persuading [President] Reagan, US President to stop helping Contras in Costa Rica. US finally agreeing to help peace process but Cuba and USSR aiding guerrillas; Need for EC to push for compliance of "Guatemala Accord"; Reasons why Costa Rica did not ratify the Central American Parliament (PARLACEN); Arias' Nobel peace prize win; President Arias' revelation that prospects for peace in Central America not good; Harley's notes on meeting: question of sovereignty in the creation of the Central American Parliament; Aid to Costa Rica; Peace plan

Meeting 1 April 1989 with [Raimundo] Bassols, Spanish Ambassador to Argentina, discussed: economy, military, terrorism

Meeting between Plumb and [US] Secretary of State, 1 April 1989, discussed: trade negotiations, GATT, sanctions, discrimination against UK goods

Meeting between Plumb and Víctor Hipólito Martínez, Vice-President of Argentina, 1 April 1989, discussed: agriculture Vis à Vis EC, regional cooperation, Latin American economies, drugs and terrorism, Argentinian meat

Meeting between Plumb and Raúl Ricardo Alfonsín, President of Argentina, 2 February 1989, discussed Argentinian and UK relations, Argentina and EC "hopes from this visit...cooperation linking Argentina and whole of EC.... May be that EC could help solve apparent conflict UK/Argentina", debt of gratitude to EP with Human Rights prize, Argentina's struggle against extreme left and extreme right factions and populism. EP welcomes attempts to create Central American Parliament; Malvinas - need for solutions: Bilateral trade relations UK/Argentina. Plumb: European Parliament vehicle to get parties round the table; Agriculture: Control of CAP exports by EC In same notebook, notes on Olympics Barcelona and EP Staff Committee

Notes on Barcelona Olympics: ECU being used as means of showing "United Europe"; EP and Barcelona Olympics Committee will set up Joint Committee to ensure European input. Meetings at Maragall, Barcellona in preparation for Olympics

Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Adviser to Enrico Vinci for European Parliament Secretary General

Documents from 1989 to 1995 Size: 3 notebooks Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-2 17/05/1993 - 20/05/1993

Enrico Vinci Visit to Washington and New York

David Harley represented President Vinci at the Corporate CEO Round table Washington with speakers, Carol Rasco, Chief domestic adviser to President Clinton, Roger Paten, Harvard Professor, James Fallows, journalist and President Carter's speech writer, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, former French Minister for Industry, Ken Wollock, President of the National Democratic Institute (NDI), Tony Wayne, Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Mission to the European Union and Enrico Vinci: transatlantic opportunities, Clinton Administration's emphasis on multilateral trade, US economic relations in the pacific, US deficit, US role in managing the global economy, absence of dynamic EC-US cooperation on mergers and situation of Eastern European economies, elections in Central and Eastern European Countries and support for democracy, proposed EU-US Summit, contacts European Parliament and US Senate Visit to New York and meeting with Ángel Viñas: EC-UN

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Tel: DAH-3 1992 - 1993

Cabinet of Enrico Vinci

Notes concerning: UK Presidency 1992 Proposed visit of US President, Bill Clinton to the European Parliament: Draft programme and details of preparations Brussels Summit Preparation: 10/11 December 1993 Preparation of press conference, Cannes *Materials:* Textual

Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

File: DAH-4 1991 - 1992 Maastricht Treaty

David Harley's notes on discussions surrounding the drafting of the Maastricht Treaty : Points concerning European Parliament (EP) articles: citizenship, ombudsman, social policy, election of President and members of Commission, "co-decision, discharge and control over Commission intensified, strengthening of 'axis conforme" decision on European political parties, EMU - positive, declaration on racism and xenophobia

EP "points of unhappiness": structure – wanted a unified structure, information and consultation only on Politica estera e di sicurezza comunen (PESC), social policy – subject of co-decision, democratic control of EMU, budget, simultaneous mandates EP/Commission, "federal type' dropped, election of President and members of Commission *Materials:* Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Deputy Secretary-General of the European Parliament Socialist Group

Documents from 1997 to 1999 Notes/remarks: There is some overlapping of the notebooks. Size: 3 notebooks Materials: Textual Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

file: DAH-5 11/1997 - 01/1998 Socialist Group - 1

David Harley's notes on understanding the workings of the European Parliament and the various individuals with whom he would be working, also includes:

Details of meetings of PES (Party of European Socialists) and Labour Party's involvement and the Forum for discussions, allocation tasks within the European Parliamentary Labour Party, campaign issues, responsibilities of UK Representative in communicating to the UK government on EU legislation.

Important topics at time: Bosnia, G8, Russia, arms' sales, Turkey, Iran

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Tefile: DAH-6 12/1997 - 01/1998 Socialist Group - 2

David Harley's notes on London campaign seminar, discussions with Gordon Brown, British Labour Party on debt reduction. Robin Cook and the Euroepan Parliament Labour Party (EPLP)

Important topics at time: Turkey, development in Algeria, enlargement, US relations: globalisation, trade, cohesion fund

Materials: Textual Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

e file: DAH-7 01/01/1998 - 01/02/1998 Socialist Group - 3

David Harley's notes on matters of interest: Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), policy planning, Kosovo, Algeria (support for civil society, promote development and democracy), economic policy in Europe, Greece Turkey and Cyprus situation, US relations: US talks about leadership, European talks about partnership, Bosnia and implementation of Dayton Agreement, Israel and Palestine

Visit to US : EURO, enlargement, transatlantic dialogue, Turkish membership of EU - issue of human rights, Iraq Visit to Syria and Lebanon: EU/Syria relations, Barcelona Process, peace talks

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

file: DAH-8 01/02/1998 - 31/03/1998

Socialist Group - 4

David Harley's notes on: meeting with Sir John Weston, UK Permanent Representative at UN: Iraq and US attitude at Security Council, EU as point of reference in UN General Assembly. Reform UN, Cyprus/Turkey, Algeria, Iraq Meeting between Richard Holbrooke, US representative at the UN and Pauline Green, Leader of the Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists, on Cyprus accession negotiations

Briefings for Latvian, Lithuanian and Estonian accession negotiations with visits by Pauline Green to the capitals Tallinn, Riga and Vilnius

Meeting in Brussels on Balkans

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

file: DAH-9 01/04/1998 - 31/05/1998 Socialist Group - 5

David Harley's notes on: European elections and campaign strategy Meeting with Manuel Marin, European Commissioner: Israel and EU aid

Situation in Spain after Felipe González' defeat in the Spanish elections and his resignation as leader of the PSOE (Spanish Socialist Party) National Congress

Materials: Textual

Lanauaaes: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

file: DAH-10 01/07/1998 - 01/01/1999 Socialist Group - 6

David Harley's notes on: Israeli Labour Party. Gulf States and trade with EU. Palestinian settlements

Notes on dinner with Roger Liddle. Special Adviser on European matters to the former Prime Minister Tony Blair. and President of the European Commission, José Manuel Barroso 23/9: single currency, member's allowance, future of Europe, EU failure in Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)

Notes on meeting with Pauline Green, leader of the Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists on staff issues, Agenda 2000, Member's allowance

Notes on Labour Party Conference in Blackpool, 28-29 September 1998

Meeting between Harley and Yossi Beilin, Israeli Labour Party on the Middle East Peace Talks Notes on Chancellor Schroeder's address to the Socialist Group of the European Parliament where he touched on

allegations of fraud and financial mismanagement in the Santer Commission

Materials: Textual

Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Contemporary Conte

David Harley's notes on: meeting with Palestinian delegation in Jerusalem, October 1998: occupied territories, Palestinian loss of a capital - centre is now Ramallah. Finance from Commission to "Jerusalem Fund"

Various notes on Cyprus situation and Northern Ireland situation

Council statement on Middle East, November 1998

Discussions with Roger Liddle, Special advisor to Tony Blair on European matters: European election system: Postelection system in European Parliament. Defence. Ireland and peace process

Other matters on agenda: defence, European-Mediterranean cooperation, EU – Latin American relations, Kosovo, Balkans, Algeria

Meeting between John Tomlinson, MEP and Manuel Marin, Vice President of the Commission on funding for the Palestinian Authority

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Teile: DAH-12 30/01/1999 - 01/07/1999

Socialist Group - 8

David Harley's notes on: Kurdish situation, allegations of misuse of funds for Palestinian Liberation Authority, political situation in Syria and Lebanon and relations with EU

Milan Forum on Solidarity and Enlargement in a strong Europe

Visit to Syria, briefing by EU Ambassador Marc Pierini on EU-Syria relations: corruption, Iraq, Arafat, Hezbollah, Turkey and Kurds

Progress on Middle East peace process

Visit to Beirut: situation of Palestinian refugees in Tyre camp

Preparation for 1999 European elections

Materials: Textual

Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

File: DAH-13 01/03/1999 - 31/05/1999

Socialist Group - 9

David Harley's notes on preparations for the European elections in terms of campaigning

Meeting with Anis Al-Qaq, Palestinian Minister in Gaza on how EU aid was being used and on the Palestinian Development Fund

Meeting with Dr Riad Zaánoun, Palestinian Minister for Health at Gaza hospital : example of why EU aid is not working

Meeting with Victor Harel, DG at Israeli foreign ministry to discuss Palestine's economy and the effectiveness of EU aid

Pauline Green's , Leader of the Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists, press conference on the Members' statute

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Director of Press and Media and European Parliament Spokesman

Documents from 1999 to 2002 Size: 13 notebooks Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-14 07/1999 - 10/1999 Director of Press and Media - 1

European Parliament Labour Party (EPLP) organised event for new MEP's on how European Parliament (EP) functions for which David Harley prepared paper: policy objectives, reforming institutions. Intervention by Tony Blair: reform and need to highlight Tory divisions in EP

Notes on Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of the European People's Party Group (EPP Group) in the EP Access level: Open Document, Open Description

efile: DAH-15 10/1999 - 11/1999 Director of Press and Media - 2

Matters of interest: Nobel Prize, Kosovo, migration and asylum: need for better judicial cooperation in EU and proper law enforcement for people trafficking and drugs, need to strengthen EUROPOL; Turkey: UK Government strongly supports its candidacy; Prospective visit of Romano Prodi to Washington to meet President Clinton ahead of Seattle meeting; Tampere: draft conclusions – European Parliament (EP) welcomes (1) agreement for body to draw up EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, (2) endorsement of principle of mutual recognition of judicial decisions and aim to adopt programme by December 2000. EP specifically welcomes in this context reference to family litigation (maintenance claims and visiting rights), (3) agreement to establish Single European Asylum System based on full application of Geneva Convention, (4) setting up of fund for refugees; Administrative matters Luxembourg and Brussels; Press reform, issue of translations – goes against principle of quality and rapidity; Pascal Lamy – globalisation and civil society

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

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Director of Press and Media - 3

Matters of interest: Helsinki European Council: European Parliament (EP) association with IGC on institutional reform, Turkey: deficit, taxation, beef; Speech by President Jacques Chirac: positive, growing role of EP; Visit by Javier Solana, High Representative for Common Foreign and Security Policy, to Ankara to "explain not negotiate"; Giorgio Napolitano on the Helsinki decisions; Human resources changes within the EP; Austria: grave situation after gains by Jörg Haider, Chairman of the Freedom Party (FPD) – anti-European and anti- democratic; Rise of xenophobia, populism and nationalism not confined to Austria

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

File: DAH-17 03/2000 - 04/2000

Director of Press and Media - 4

Matters of interest: Lisbon Summit - press conference by Nicole Fontaine, President of the European Parliament: Intergovernmental Conference (IGC) is priority as citizens expect social Europe, the European Company Statute lack of progress weaken's EU's credibility

Alastair Campbell, Labour political adviser on Lisbon strategy - Tony Blair, UK Prime Minister, enthusiastic as modernises Europe's social model

Chirac press conference, he and Lionel Jospin, French Prime Minister, state that they are pleased with Lisbon Strategy

Meeting Secretary General of European Parliament, Julian Priestley with journalists on member's statute Address by President of Austria, Thomas Klestil to the plenary: risk for democratic values

Materials: Textual

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Terror of Press and Media - 5

Matters of interest: Meeting J. Davies and G. Scully: preparations for communications strategy for IGC – dedicated website, discussion forum, define audience, extend from schools to universities, activities of Jean Monnet Centres, and address what people want to know about European Parliament (EP)

Note on Culture Centre of the EP – budget issues

Meeting with Inigo Méndez de Vigo, MEP for press conference – need for positive message to specify real meaning of added value of Charter, need to boost morale of Roman Herzog, former President of Germany

Press conference on members' statute Internal administrative meetings

Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of European People's Party (EPP) Press Conference: on art. 191 on [TFEU] and other matters in advance of the European Council of Feira 19-20 June 2000

19-20/6/2000: European Council, Feira: achievements since 1999 EP elections – co-decision, EP/Commission relations, institutional reforms. Concerns: lack of ambition on IGC, Charter, to make EU more understandable for citizens

French Briefing on Council

Meeting with Richard [Sinnott] : increase in EP's powers and decrease in turnout

Meeting with Enrique Barón Crespo, former President of the EP and Richard Sinnott: influence Eurobarometer Visit by EP President Nicole Fontaine to the UK: Charter, transparency, priority of Citizens, Euro

Materials: Textual

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

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Matters of interest: attendance of Abu Ala, President of the Palestinian Legislative Council and Avraham Burg of the Knesset at plenary of European Parliament (EP), Strasbourg on the proposal of West Jerusalem as capital of Israel and East Jerusalem as the capital of Palestine

Meeting with [Julian Priestley], Secretary General of the EP: Charter, IGC

Report by Jan Marinus Wiersma, MEP who leads the Socialist Group on enlargement, informs on current state of negotiation for the accession of 12 new countries. EU must be ready by 2003 for the ratification process. EP has crucial role in process

Press conference by Kofi Annan, UN Secretary General. Reiterates what he said to EU Troika in New York: priorities UN-EU relations

Press conference by Hans-Gert Pöttering, European People's Party Group (EPP Group) : democracy, EU action on transparency. At stake in Biarritz Council Summit is the Community methods. Majority decision making in Council, with Parliament as co-legislator

Biarritz Summit, 13 October 2000: Charter of Fundamental Rights. Need for cooperation between the EU and UN to defuse the Middle East situation

Meeting with John Corrie, member from the European Parliament to the Joint Parliamentary Assembly of the Agreement between the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Union (ACP-EU): Cotonou Report

Materials: Textual

Languages: English, French Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Te file: DAH-20 10/2000 - 10/2000

Director of Press and Media - 7

Matters of interest: Romano Prodi press conference: ICG

Javier Solana, EU High Representative: Peace process coordination by EU-UN. Madeline Albrights, US Secretary of State reduced capacity of negotiation. US lost confidence in both sides in process. Chirac's verbal altercation with the Israeli Prime Minister, Ehud Barak

Press conference given by Nicole Fontaine, President of the European Parliament

Press conference on Charter of Fundamental Rights: Q & A

Materials: Textual

Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

ie: DAH-21 01/2001 - 03/2001

Director of Press and Media - 8

Matters of interest: Meetings with Jonathan Faull, Commission Spokesman: TV in communications policy. Issue of Euronews – Romano Prodi not keen as ITV majority shareholder and doesn't understand why it requires public funding; Après Nice : Prodi to give speeches. Governments must be involved. Use of Dialogue on Europe fund Meeting between Klaus Welle, Secretary-General of the Euroepan People's Party (EPP) and Bo Jensen, Pat Cox's chef de cabinet : organise [Civic Forum]

Meeting with Peter Wilson, First Secretary at the UK representation to the EU: preparations for 2004 elections Gerhard Schmid MEP, press conference on Echelon (UK or US industrial espionage) : no evidence of EU member states' cooperation

Press Conference on Action Plan to reform the European Parliament (EP), organised by Nick Clegg, MEP

Press Conference with Anna Lindh, Member of Swedish Parliament, on the future of Europe: the need to discuss both substance and method

Debate on Europe's Future

Conference of Presidents with Enrique Barón Crespo, MEP and Martin Schulz (MEP) : Silvio Berlusconi's immunity and involvement of Nicole Fontaine, President of the EP in the case

EU Summit, Stockholm: Putin on Chechnya; Poles and Czechs in 2004 elections

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-22 03/2001 - 06/2001 Director of Press and Media - 8

Matters of interest: meetings concerning internal issues such as staffing, communications - campaigns, advertising Arrest of Per Gahrton, Swedish MEP in Malmö during a legal demonstration against Ecofin and Single Currency; issue of immunity

Julian Priestley, political adviser on Pat Cox, Leader of the European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party Group Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of the European People's Party-European Democrats (EPP) on the future of party Friends of Europe Conference: press and communications

Yasser Arafat, Chairman of PLO, and Nicole Fontaine, President of the European Parliament Pat Cox, candidate for Presidency of European Parliament, press conference: disappointed with results of Irish referendum. Conservative sees abortion behind "Europe". Welcomes creation of Forum for Europe Request by Cox for Harley to become his spokesman

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-23 07/2001 - 10/2001 Director of Press and Media - 9

Matters of interest: Hans-Gert Pöttering's, Leader of European People's Party (EPP), press conference: Effective European Security and Defence Policy

Peter Hain, UK European Minister tells European Parliament Labour Party (EPLP) that the Government is not enthusiastic about Convention (on the Future of Europe) but prepared to support it if involved real forum: dialogue with civil society and trade unions. Euro, Hain - "did not say that UK entry was inevitable. Decision on whether UK will join can't be postponed for ever. Research on attitudes on EURO/EU show 25% will never vote for Euro, 25% for and remainder waiting to be convinced". Pro-Europe movements is "head without a body" i.e. very little grass roots interest in EU; Members Statute.

Conversation between Pat Cox and Gabriela Canas, journalist of El Pais on the opposition to his candidature as EP President from some members of the EPP

Extraordinary European Council: Conclusions – solidarity with US, anti-terrorist measures, economic situation, stronger PESC; Conversation with Jaume Duch, European Parliament (EP) press service: conclusions to be sent to MEPs

Pat Cox press conference: terrorism and ETA/IRA

Íñigo Méndez de Vigo, Press (EPP member) conference: EP – value convention, composition, [presidism] – President will be designated by European Council. Íñigo Méndez de Vigo, refers to the final stages of negotiations between the Institutions on setting up the Convention on the Future of Europe which was formally agreed in the Declaration of Laeken on 14 December

Focus groups on public perceptions of the EU and EP held in Brussels, Namur and Antwerp. In Brussels group they discussed the resignation of the Santer Commission. Forced resignation showed "force morale du PE". What does the EP do?. Election of MEPs. Option of EU wide list of candidates. What deputies do? Political parties. What should EP do to become better known?

Meeting between Guy Verhofstadt, Belgian PM, [Charles Michel], Belgian MP, Javier Solana and Romano Prodi: terrorism, steps to coordinate with US on security issues

Notes/remarks: Parts of the notebook are very difficult to decipher

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-24 10/2001 - 12/2001 Director of Press and Media - 10

Matters of interest: Strasbourg, Presentation of Schuman Prize, Statut des députés

Meeting of Socialist Group of the European Parliament (EP): remuneration, taxation and other social issues involved in the proposal for a Statute of Members

"How Europe is referred to on the TV" in particular in relation to BBC.

Seminar on co-decision

Meeting between Alejo Vidal-Quadras, EP Vice-president, Partido Popular, Catalan, with representatives of the radio station Intereconomía

Pat Cox [interviewed for BBC programme Newsnight]

Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of the European People's Party (EPP) press conference with Q's and A's on statute [Enrique Barón Crespo] press conference: Q's and A's on Statute

[Pierre Moscovici] press conference: Q's and A's on Statute

Vojislav Kostunica Press Conference: ready for dialogue, issue of Kosovan Albanians, Hague International Tribunal, EU visa black list removal, help from EP for democratic process in Serbia, time frame for Conference on Maritime Safety

Meetings of UK MEP's such as Bill Newton Dunn and Graham Watson: some Tory MEP's aim to take UK out of EU "they behave despicably, unbelievably rude to EPP colleagues"

Alastair Campbell's (Tony Blair's political adviser) visit to Brussels to discuss Nice Treaty

Notes/remarks: Parts of the notebooks are very difficult to decipher. Some overlapping with DAH 25 and DAH 26 Materials: Textual

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Access level: Open Document, Open Description

ile: DAH-25 10/2001 - 01/2002

Director of Press and Media - 11

Matters of interest: Euronews – step-up cooperation and transparency. Prodi apparently unenthusiastic; Contact with Jacques Poos, MEP

Discussion on Arte TV channel about a recent film on the European Parliament (EP) Participants MEPs, Lousewies van der Laan, Jean-Louis Bourlanges, Klaus Haensch and Financial Times journalist Peter Norman

President Romano Prodi sent letter to [Elmar] Brok, MEP and [Dimitris] Tsatsos appealing for unity on institutional reform

Prodi press conference: binding nature of Convention is something to be dealt with post-Nice. EP associated with work of the Intergovernmental Conference

Brok and Tsatsos Press Conference on European Convention with jaume Duch, EP press service, Brok and Tsatsos: draft Treaty, no progress in sight on issue of co-decision

Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of European People's Party (EPP) press conference: EPP sees some light but shadow emerging from Nice. Council is now more not less complicated. EP's rights not taken into account. Brok: need to raise voting threshold. Obstacles multiplied by four due to insufficient results in all policy areas. Some

improvements in draft Treaty but falls short on what is needed to strengthen democratic legitimacy; Chirac: "les decisions qui non convaincent personne ne servent pas à grandes choses"

Seminar on Nice Treaty: Prodi – before Nice: 70 legal bases convened by unanimity, at Nice 35 came under qualified majority voting. At no stage in IGC was there any systematic link between qualified majority voting and co-decision

Notes/remarks: Parts of the notebook are very difficult to decipher. Overlap with notebooks DAH-24 and DAH-26

Materials: Textual Languages: English, French

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-26 10/2001 - 01/2002 Director of Press and Media - 12

Matters of interest: Preperations for the Euromed Parliamentary Forum, November 2001 Meeting concerning the press and communications requirements for the debate of 28 November 2001 Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of the European People's Party (EPP) press conference: stem cell research Pat Cox, Leader of the European Liberal Democrat and Reform Party (ELDR): Cyprus - hopes that Northern Cyprus will engage with UN before the opening of enlargement negotiations. Budget for enlargement Hans-Gert Pöttering press conference on Summit: legislative programme Pat Cox: work programme of European Council should have legislative content 14/12/2001: Summit of Laeken - produced the Declaration of Laeken to set up Convention to draft a European Constitution. Also dealt with: European arrest warrant, Afghanistan and Western Sahara Tony Blair congratulates the Belgian Presidency on the Convention "real debate on the future of EU" Press conference by European Parliament's (EP) rapporteurs praising Convention Tony Blair's letter, 15/01/2002 complimenting Cox on his election as President of the European Parliament Cox press conference on his victory: EP's role is to emphasize democracy and transparency Notes/remarks: Parts of the notebook are very difficult to decipher. There is a lot of overlap with the previous notebooks DAH-25 and DAH-24 Materials: Textual Languages: English, French Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Spokesman for European Parliament President Pat Cox

Documents from 2002 to 2004 Size: 22 notebooks Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Teile: DAH-27 01/2002 - 01/2002

Pat Cox - 1

15/01: Results of vote for European Parliament (EP) President

16/1: Pat Cox interview with journalist Margareta Kopeinig , European correspondent Austrian newspaper Die Kurier – EP as strategic partner, value in practical issues, Convention needs more democracy and less technocracy, WTO

17/01: Cox interview by journalist Ana Romero, El Mundo : allusions to Cox being soft on terrorism and questions him on minorities in the EU

17/01: Meeting PC and Romano Prodi, President of the Commission – priorities: members' statute, internal reform, political priorities – enlargement, Lisbon Process/Barcelona, Convention, Wider World – transatlantic relations, Russia, Euromed dialogue

17/01: List of proposed points to raise at a meeting with PC and the A-grade officials (Administrators) in his Cabinet. 22/1: Meeting with Jaume Duch (EP Press Service): call to change Art. 202 (Comitology to obtain callback mechanism) to grant EP "equivalent treatment"

23/1: Interview of Cox by Carlos Yañez, El Pais: Cox says he is not a nationalist. His use of Gaelic is expressing cultural diversity as Gaelic is official language of EU. Hopes for proper respect for balance of decision making in 2010. Hopes for diverse but dynamic Europe. Need for more effective communication strategy to reconnect with citizens. EP is democratic counterweight to excessive technocracy. Terrorism – any extradition from EU to US involves need for guarantees that death penalty should not be applied. EU must not be involved in member states constitutional orders

23/1: Meeting with Ana Palacio, Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs: Human Rights

23/1: Interview of Cox by F. Papitto, La Reppublica: Convention – constitutional expression of the new Europe. His impression of Gianfranco Fini

23/1: Meeting with Hans Brunmayer, DG Information: Council to prepare working group 12/3

24/1: Meeting between Cox and Paul Adamson, owner of leading Brussels-based PR agency and editor of pro-EU magazine E!Sharp: EP's communication strategy

29/1: Harley visits London to organise meeting between Cox and Tony Blair. Meets with Sally Morgan and Stephen Wall: Discuss the Euro, Convention, economic reform, suggests that Cox meets David Trimble, Belfast European City of Culture 2008

30/1: Notes for Harley on draft legislation on a European Company Statute (ECS) Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

File: DAH-28 01/2002 - 02/2002 Pat Cox - 2

31/1: Pat Cox talks about generating a sense of change. EU needs to be more democratic and less technocratic. Discusses with Francesco Cerri, ANSA journalist: institutional reform on European Company Statute (ECS) 31/1: Meeting with Secretary-General on European Company Statute (ECS)

4/2: Jonathan Dimbleby interview

5/2: Press Conference in Wigan with Cox and Romano Prodi: future of European Parliament (EP), communications strategy of EP, ECS, transparency in capital markets

19/2: Meeting Cox and Ambassador Burghardt: on attempts to invite President Bush to address the EP. EU-US Summit in Washington

20/2: Interview talks with Adrianna Cerretelli, journalist with II Sole – 24 Ore: Convention. EP support for constitutionalismyyyk of EU. EU more political – in defence and foreign policy fields. EP had duty and responsibility to show leadership

21/2: Koldo Gorostiaga, MEP from the Herri Batasuna, the Basque separatist party in Spain and the political wing of the terrorist organisation ETA: Cox agreed to meet Gorostiaga as elected MEP by the people. Cox welcomes any initiative for peace and dialogue to end terrorism. Cox speaks from Irish experience with terrorism. EU must respect that solution to be found in the Spanish constitutional order. EU available for peace-finding and assistance. Cox wants to keep meeting private.

28/2: Meeting between Cox, Romano Prodi, President of the European Commission and José María Aznar, President of the European Council with no press presence preparing for Barcelona Summit in March 2002

28/2: Cabinet Meeting to discuss Barcelona Summit: Working Group on better regulation, substance on policy matters, labour market reform, environment and sustainability

25/2: Cox dinner with Danish PM Anders Fogh Rasmussen : Blair- Schroeder initiative, political dialogue, war in Iraq, second referendum in Ireland on the Treaty of Lisbon

26/2: Meeting with Arlene McCarthy, MEP: CAP reform, Convention – need to strengthen the EP, "German language" on tax harmonisation

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e file: DAH-29 03/2002 - 03/2002 Pat Cox - 3

5/3: Conférence des présidents (body which brings together the president of Parliament and the chairs of the political groups): Points raised by Pat Cox to the group chairs - Poland: scepticism in newly elected Polish parliament. Barcelona: Romano Prodi's (Commission President) meeting with José María Aznar, President of European Council, to organise Barcelona Summit. Members' Statute

7/3 : Meeting between Cox and [Diane Abbott, UK MP]: EU and NATO. Cyprus. Barcelona Summit

7/3: Cox Press Conference in Berlin – CAP future of sustainability and subsidies, food safety

7/3: Gerhard Schroeder, German Chancellor, meeting with Cox: between being pro- European and bashing Commission. Need for dialogue in the European Parliament (EP.) Must be responsible for industry and related issued. Cox talks of need to promote closer relationships between the 3 institutions. Schroeder says that EU fails to take account of real situation on the ground. His fear that too much emphasis is placed on financial services and not on real economy and industry. Commission has produced White Paper on chemical industry which he says spells the death knell of the chemical industry in Germany. Schroeder appreciates that Commission can't take into account the differences in each member state but Commission going in Neo-Liberal direction, its position is purely theoretical, it should instead have an understanding of special features of larger member states

11/3: Meeting between Tony Blair, UK Prime Minister and Cox: Need for President of EP and Parliament to have real powers. EP should be seen as having reformist direction in EU. Transatlantic relations, EU-US fallout would be very corrosive. Blair says language is very important when speaking to British media about Euro.

11/3: Cox on Umberto Bossi, Italian politician: Method of his expression very offensive but not for EP to comment on Italian politics

13/3: Meeting between Cox, Ana Palacio, Spanish politician and Josep Piqué, Spanish Foreign Minister in preparation for Barcelona Summit

14/3: Cox discussions with Harley and communications team: should EP buy advertising space in papers either on Convention or on plenary decisions. Discuss other methods of communications such as video-streaming

15-16/3: Barcelona Summit: organisation and notes for conclusions

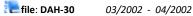
18/3: Barcelona de-briefing

19/3: Cox meeting with Philip Gould, Tony Blair's communications expert: 2004 European elections. Cox warns against a "designer Europe". UK should give credit to the EU when due. Not fault of EP for low turnout in UK for European elections

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Pat Cox - 4

19/3: Pat Cox meeting with [P. Norman]: discussing Romano Prodi, President of the Commission

5/4: Cox discussions with Stephen Wall, British Permanent Representative to the European Union, on possibility of Blair being able to convince President Bush to speak at the European Parliament (EP)

5/4: Bob Whiteman, EU Delegation in Washington DC, responsible for relations with US Congress: proposed meeting with Joe Biden, chair of Senate Foreign Relations Committee

9/4: Meeting with US Ambassador: West Bank. Situation in Middle East and US involvement. Tony Blair on Iraq. Prodi on Iraq. Cox's impending visit to US. Prospective visit by Bush to EP

9/4: Meeting between Cox and Italian Ambassador Luzzatto and Walter Veltroni: Middle East. Roots of Zionism in Europe

10/4: Cox and Baron Crespo, MEP meeting: Czechoslovakia and the Beneš decrees. Slovenian Italian minority

16/4: Notes of a discussion over dinner led by Pat Cox on the final stage of negotiations on the Constitutional Treaty 17/4: Cox at Press Conference in Vienna

23/4: French Presidential Elections: Jean-Marie Le Pen – wants to step back from the modernizing and integrating EU

23/4: Cox meeting with Avraham Burg, Israeli politician on the need to develop dialogue. Cox talks of support for a Madrid II peace conference. Europe should be key player in negotiating a peace in the Middle East

24/4: Meeting between Cox and Edmund Stoiber (German politician): decisive phase in EU. Convention must make EU decision-making more transparent. Political situation in France: Le Pen v. Jacques Chirac in second round of Presidential Elections

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Pat Cox - 5

29/4: Seminar on racism: Pat Cox talks about dramatic new developments in Irish society. Results of French Presidential Elections. Cox says there must be no compromise on basic values. Seminar aimed at raising consciousness. Refers to "Cork Civic Forum: One City, many Communities". Work of European Monitoring Center on Racism and Xenophobia (Vienna)

5/5: Reaction to "Observer" Article based on unpublished report on macro-economic issues. No balance in article as only Eurosceptic MEP is cited

7/5: Cox discussions with Michael Emerson, former EU Ambassador to Russia and at that time Senior Research Fellow at the Brussels-based think-tank CEPS [et al.] on Cyprus – efforts to find agreement. Greek Cypriots adhere to advice from Athens. Commission not particularly active on conflict aspect as UN's competence. Commission tends to be anti-Turkey. Javier Solana, European Union's High Representative for Common Foreign and Security Policy, has not yet entered fray. [Cox] says it's a mistake to wave economic carrots at Turk Cypriots. Turk Cypriots don't trust EU

9/5: Meeting between Cox and Glafcos Clerides, President of Cyprus on discussions between the latter and Rauf Denktash, the Turkish Cypriot leader, 3 years previously. Discussion on current state of affairs and respect for UN Resolution. Cox says that in 2002 there exists a compelling deadline. It appears that Denktash/Ankara position is that until they get date for starting negotiations for Turkey's accession to EU that they will not move on Cyprus. Denktash can't accept EU participation in search for solution as Greece in EU but Turkey not.

9/5: Meeting between Cox and Denktash (RD): as European Parliament (EP) President open to dialogue. RD says prejudice of EP already exists. Can't accept mandate from Commission. Government of Cyprus cannot be government of Turkish Cypriots unless a partnership of equality is established

9/5: Cox at Ataturk Cultural Center: the future of Cyprus in the EU must speak with one voice

9/5: Press conference on Cyprus: EU will take account with new UN Secretary General on how talks went

10/5: Cox meeting with Riccardo Ribera, member of his cabinet on the assassination of Pim Fortuyn, Dutch far-right politician

10/5: Cox meeting with Raquel de Vicente, member of his cabinet on immigration policy

10/5: Cox meeting with Alvaro Desoto, UN envoy on Cyprus

14/5: Dinner Cox between Giorgio Napolitano [and others]: Members' statute. Key relationships between the PPE-PES-LIB in EP

15/5 : Cox discussions with Peter Hain, British politican: Cyprus and Convention. Hain says the UK doesn't see President of the Commission as political leader. UK happy to look at extension of qualified majority voting. Huge credibility problem with the legitimacy of the EU institutions. Cox refers to a document by Tommaso Padoa Schioppa, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank, which led main political families to support the idea of an elected [Commission] President

15/5: Cox press briefing: shift to right in Europe – protest vote

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Pat Cox - 6

22/5: Pat Cox discussions with Peter Hain, British politician and press proponents: distance between Institutions and citizens. Convention.

22/5: Cox discussions with Pier Ferdinando Casini (President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies) European Parliament (EP) has no objection to presence of national parliamentarians at Euro level forum. Casini against 2nd

Chamber idea. Casini concerned about political situation in Europe. Casini says what is needed is more Europe not less. Cox in response to the balance after 4 months says that his first duty as President of EP is to (1) recognise enlargement as the most profound and immediate challenge (2) making EU less silent (3) to promote easy access between the 3 institutions' presidents (4) state of internal structure of EP

23/5: Cox talks to "II Messaggero" : journalist asks if the next president of the Council will be Tony Blair. Convention on the Future of Europe

23/5: Cox's speech to African parliamentarians on the occasion of the Italy-Africa Parliamentary Day (Rome) touches on: Ireland's 800 years under foreign domination. Language almost lost. Stresses importance of education

28/5: Cox's meeting with Swedish PM, Goran Persson in Stockholm: Cyprus, immigration – need to combat trafficking. Idea of common EU approach for immigration/asylum based on humanitarian principles. Priority of enlargement – particularly with regard to Poland. EP can count on Sweden for support. Need to develop closer links with Russia, while offering Ukraine the possibility of closer ties with EU to prevent security problem at EU borders. Must stick to enlargement timetable. Situation in the candidate countries

29/5: Cox gives press conference: organise referendum on Nice Treaty in Ireland. Cox says he will launch vigorous campaign

29/5: Discussion between Cox and Neil Kinnock, European Commissioner: recruitment in the EP, staff rules, geographical balance

5/6: Cox interview with journalist Christian Wernicke on Seville European Council. Importance of EP's role in EU decision making

15/6 : Meeting between Cox and Ambassador Schnabel, US representative to EU: Cyprus - US leverage on Ankara. Biotechnology and GMO's - US favours "Non GMO labeling"

6/6 : Meeting between Cox and Nigel Sheinwald, UK Permanent Representative: UK hopes for something concrete from Convention and Council reform. Turkey – Cyprus situation

11/6: Cox interview with Otmar Lahodynsky of "New Europe" : rise of Euroscepticism. Asylum and immigration at top of agenda starting from Seville. Lack of leadership in EU. Populism plays on people's fears. Time to seize the historic moment – time to recognise moral contract

13/6: Cox and Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of European Peoples Party (EPP) after his return from the US where he had met Bush's chief of staff Andrew Card. Bush speech in Bundestag - made no mention of EU

13/6: Cox on "FAZ" article: genuine constitution. Economic integration

Materials: Textual Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-33 06/2002 - 09/2002 Pat Cox - 7

18/06: Seville European Council: objectives - reuniting Europe, partnership for efficiency, transparency and dialogue, asylum and immigration. Alistair Campbell, political consultant, on Members' Statute and EURO

19/06: BBC interview: human trafficking. Need for politically led and strategically conceived partnership. Future of European Parliament (EP)

20/06: Meeting Joe Klein and Cox: social justice. Extremism and immigration link

20/6: Cox/Lib Press Conference: illegal immigrants. Irish neutrality

24/6 Press Conference – Danish PM, Anders Fogh Rasmussen and Cox: EP key player in decision making process in EU. Copenhagen '93 to Copenhagen '02

1/7: New York & Washington: Turkey - Cyprus, International Criminal Court (ICC), European Parliament, EURO, trade 3/7: Rasmussen Press Conference: UN efforts on Cyprus have best chance to succeed. Follow-up on Seville conclusions. EP reform. Immigration. UN peacekeeping in Bosnia. EU sees ICC as progressive element in international law

3/7: Cox interviewed by Susan Swain, C-Span: Euro, Convention, ICC, food policy, European defence – CFSP and defence

8/7: Richard Ryan, Irish Ambassador to UN: US concerns on ICC

9/7: Cox dinner with Gunther Burghardt, EU Ambassador and Madeline Albright, former Secretary of State on US foreign policy and its sense of self-sufficiency

10/7: Cox in Washington: Meeting with Dick Cheney, Vice-President EU-US relations

10/7: Meeting Cox and Jim Clancy, CNN journalist on growing rift EU-US. European opinion of Bush

18/7: Discussion between Cox and Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the US House of Representatives: transatlantic relations and need for dialogue

3/9: Cox meeting with Ana Palacio, Spanish foreign Minister: Banning of Henri Batasuna (political group)

5/9: Cox meeting with Bertelsmann Stiftung Foundation on transparency

19/9: Cox interviewed by journalists of "Financial Times" including George Parker

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Pat Cox - 8

24/9: Pat Cox meeting with Nigel Sheinwald, UK Permanent Representative: 2nd referendum in Ireland on Nice Treaty (October 2002). "No" campaign playing on immigration, fears of EU taxation, farmers' doubts; Turkey-Cyprus-NATO-EU; Iraq – UK and European Parliament (EP) points of view 25/9: Cox press conference on Irish referendum

25/9: Cox meeting with Neil Kinnock, MEP: Irish referendum

7/10: Cox addresses the Foreign Press Association, London: Iraq: MEPs against US pre-emptive strikes. Cox support for UN role. Irish referendum on Nice Treaty. Possibility of EP Office in Taiwan

7/10 : Cox and Lord Hannay, MEP meeting: Cyprus – UN technically ready to bring proposal to the table in early November

16/10: Cox meeting with Gary Titley, Leader of UK MEPs: Franz Fischler's (Commissioner) proposals on: relations between Kinnock and Parliament's Committee on Budgetary Control, chaired by Diemut Theato

22/10: Visit by Shimon Peres, Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs to Strasbourg. Discussion with Cox: sensitivity of some EP resolutions for Israel. Peace in Middle East – Israel has no viable partner. Both sides destined to accept "Quartet Position". Yasser Arafat (PLO) failed in rejecting Clinton's peace plan at Camp David.

22/10: Shimon Peres press conference: 3 criticisms of EP (1) Why did EP accept call to end to association with Israel (2) EP was initiator of "land for peace" – Israel gave land but didn't get peace (3) it doesn't understand why Palestinians go the terror route. What are they fighting for? The EU can't help them until they help themselves first. During the Qs & As – Pottering: What should the EU position be on rebuilding of Palestinian Governance?

25/10: Brussels European Council Summit, press conference – Anders Fogh Rasmussen (President of European Council), Prodi (President of European Commission), Solana (EU High Representative): accord given to EP and Commission to conclude important decisions with regards to enlargement. Financial package agreed upon - Structural funds and cohesion funds; Turkish accession – progress made

6/11 : Cox interviewed by Gerry Foley, Tyne-Tees TV: UK turnout for EP elections extraordinarily low – among people feeling of disengagement. UK at heart of Europe

7/11: Cox talk with J. A. Sanchez , TVE: Enlargement, convention, EUROMED dialogue

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Pat Cox - 9

8/11: Pat Cox meeting in Rome with George Parker, Head of the "Financial Times" Bureau in Brussels: nature of EU-Turkey talks

8/11 : Talks with Pier Ferdinand Casini, Italian politican : dialogue with Russia. Enlargement to the East. Turkish accession negotiations - delicate and explosive. Priority that new Constitution be rooted in democratic accountability

8/11: Cox meeting with Premier Berlusconi: defence and stability pact. Italy's public debt. Level of pensions. Turkish accession negotiations - cultural diversity

12/11: Meeting between David Harley and Julian Priestley, Secretary-General of the European Parliament

14/11 Meeting between Cox and Dana Spinant, journalist at the "European Voice": challenges and priorities for EP in 2003

14/11: Cox meets José Ortundo, Basque Nationalist Party: ETA causes death and hardship . Ortundo proposes a peace conference in Strasbourg and wants the support of Cox.

14/11: Cox on European Company's Statute

20/11: Cox discusses the Convention with Joe Weiler, European constitutional lawyer and academic

24/11: Zimbabwe: proposal by the EU to ban the Zimbabwe delegation led by President Mugabe from attending the forthcoming meeting of the EU-ACP Assembly.

25/11: Cox meets Polish President Kwasniewski: EU and foreign policy. Schroeder backs strengthening Commission and EP. Kwasniewski talks of need of European leaders to show some vision, not just discuss money

4/12: Debate in Polish Parliament on enlargement

25/11: Meeting with Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs

27/11: Cox in Paris: negative comments made by Valéry Giscard d'Estaing (VGD) on Turkey's negotiations to accede to EU

27/11: Meeting between Cox and Jean Louis Debré, President of the Assemblée Nationale

27/11: Meeting with French PM Jean-Pierre Raffarin: separate issues of Turkey and enlargement and show of support to Erdogan even if VGD's opinion is shared by the majority of French voters. Cox appreciates French position on Iraq which is in line with UN

27/11: Cox meeting with Erdogan, leader of the AKP party in Turkey: on Erdogan's visits to EU member countries seeking support – President Jacques Chirac very supportive. Cox urges prudence.

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Pat Cox - 10

3/12: Pat Cox interview with Greek TV station: European Parliament (EP) after enlargement, Turkey accession, Cyprus – settlement plan

3/12: Cox meeting with Graham Watson, MEP: on creating an online Forum for EP

5/12: Comments by Cox after vote in EP [short term residence permits]

5/12: Meeting between Cox and Roger Liddle, UK political adviser: CAP

5/12: Meeting Cox with UK journalists: powers of EP. Greater legitimacy to the President of the Commission. Convention must make things simpler – explain who does what in Europe and make statement of contemporary values

5/12: Meeting Cox and Ana Palacio, Spanish foreign minister: asks for solidarity with Spain

6/12: Cabinet meeting on work of first six months of 2003

9/12: Press conference after the meeting of Cox with Kostas Simitis, Greek Prime Minister . Resolution of Cypriot problem not necessary for accession of Cyprus

10/12: Cox interview with Mega TV: Cyprus accession

10/12: Meeting Cox and Kostas Karamanlis, Greek politician: need for EP to initiate a positive climate of engagement before Council Summit

12/12: Copenhagen Summit: Date for Turkish accession. Situation in Cyprus. No linkage between Turkey and Cyprus accession

12/12: Meeting Cox, Hans-Gert Pöttering, leader of European Peoples Party (EPP) and Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Danish PM: negotiations with Cyprus. Turkey's progress on political criteria. Solution on financial package. EPP position on Turkey. CAP reform. Difficulties with Poland negotiations

18/12: Meeting Romano Prodi President of Commission, Rasmussen and Cox: Convention. No watering down of Europe. Copenhagen a land-mark Summit

8/1/2003: Cox meeting with Inigo Méndez de Vigo, MEP Klaus Hansch, MEP, Prodi and Andrew Duff, MEP : EP's delegation to Convention to draw up Constitutional Treaty: need for more transparency, withdrawal clause, timetable, stronger role for the President of the Council, need for compromise among MEPs (ABC Aznar-Blair-Chirac) proposal. Ireland's support for Convention

9/1: Cox interview by Spanish radio station: Iraq and prospect of war. Hopes that Europe will act as one. President of EU - Convention/Constitution should be democratically accountable

Materials: Textual Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Tefile: DAH-37 01/2003 - 02/2003

Pat Cox - 11

15/1: Pat Cox's meeting with Greek Prime Minister Köstas Simitis on Cyprus, role of UN and need for EU to create a model for sustaining peace

16/1: Meeting of Liberal Group on Member's Statute

21/1: Cox interview by Gareth Harding: European Parliament has become a mature parliamentary democracy. Iraq an US foreign policy. UN must not become an empty vessel. Situation in the Middle East. Gulf between US and EU thinking on Palestine situation

23/1: Meeting with Chris Davies, MEP, discussed: Australian position on potential Iraq war, CAP, reform of Doha, Fischler Plan, EU/US troops in Afghanistan, multilateral trade accords

24/1: Cox conversation with Dennis Abbott, Journalist of "The Brussels Times" on Davos: Cox insists that Europe be fully informed of situation in Iraq. UN should not be drained of of meaning by being treated like rubber-stamp

5/2: Meeting between Cox and Elmar Brok, MEP: Brok recommends against sending delegation to Iraq. Plan for parliamentary debate on situation in Iraq

11/2: Cox in talks with US Ambassador Schnabel: EU-US relations have become complicated due to the Iraqi situation. UK position on Iraq as opposed to German/French position

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Tefile: DAH-38 02/2003 - 03/2003 Pat Cox - 12

16/2:Pat Cox on Greek situation and situation in Iraq

18/2: Cox on Irish radio discusses Summit on 17/2: produced clearest statement to date showing highest common factor in EU position on

Saddam Hussein and Iraq. European CFSP

Various meetings and discussion on: Irish referendum campaign on the Nice Treaty, 46th Anniversary Treaty of Rome, European Parliament (EP) preference for multilateralism and ethos of solidarity, 2004 EP elections and new constitution, Turkey and EU, transatlantic relations, rural development, setback in personal relations between EU States and religious values in the EU

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

file: DAH-39 03/2003 - 05/2003 Pat Cox - 13

29/3: Cox speaking on Radio Vatican on outbreak of Iraqi war. Hungarian Parliament representative István Szent-Ivánvi states that problem started with 9/11 - destructive process of US foreign policy led to growth of mistrust between the EU and US. No realistic substitute to the US in Bosnia "at present only US can act as guarantor of peace and security in Europe",

8/4: Meeting wtih Neena Gill, MEP: quantify European media space. EP website

16/4: Press conference with Cox, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, former French President, Romano Prodi, President of the European Commission and others: on need for a European Minister for Foreign Affairs. Idea rejected of a Permanent President of the European Council

8/5: Cox visit to Cyprus. Issue of visiting the Turkish Cypriot Community

Other meetings, discussions concerning: EU peace corps for Iraq, EU 25, democracy in Europe

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Pat Cox - 14

20/5: Pat Cox on decision of Swedish PM Göran Persson to hold referendum on Euro

22/5: Criticism by former Finnish PM, Paavo Lipponen of Valéry Giscard d'Estaing's, President of the Convention of the handling of Convention: not helpful in ensuring equality between large and small member states. Need for strong Commission

22/5: Cox meeting with Finnish PM, Anneli Jäätteenmäki on Convention

26/5: Friends of Europe lunch: communication problems

28/5: Meeting between Cox and "Financial Times" journalists, George Parket and Tobias Buck on the Members' Statute and MEP's travel expenses

3/6: Cox meeting with Rocco Buttiglione, Italian Europe Minister: bring IGC to a successful conclusion is priority during Italian presidency. Lack of mention of Christian values in the Convention

4/6: Cox speaks on Member's Statute: European values

5-6/6: Paris - Cox meetings with various French politicians including PM Jean-Pierre Raffarin, Noëlle Lenoir, Europe Minister and President Jacques Chirac on reaching a compromise solution on the Convention to avoid having a referendum on the Constitutional Treaty in France. Chirac says that can't have unbalanced institutions.

10/6: Cox discussion with Nigel Sheinwald, British Ambassador to the EU: possibility of referendum on Constitution in UK? Sheilwald says that in principle the UK closer to joining the Euro zone than ever before

Other matters of importance emerged during talks: European elections – question of legitimacy and problem of turnout: downward trend in Western democracy and need for political elite to be closer to the voters. Campaigning for EP elections: situation in various member countries. G8, EU defence, common interests of NATO and EU *Materials:* Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Te file: DAH-41 06/2003 - 07/2003 Pat Cox - 15

12/6: Pat Cox's speech at the European University in Florence: Challenges for Europe during Italian presidency - IGC, the Constitution, peace in the Middle East and the Western Balkans

20/6: Cox discussions on European Council and Valéry Giscard d'Estaing

25/6: Cox appears in the US House of Representatives in Washington to explain Europe's stance on the Iraq War. Cox says that Europe recognises it must do more on military capabilities but US not so good on what to do the day after the last bomb drops

25/6: Cox speaks at National Press Club: EU and US must work together to overcome differences

27/6: Cox press conference initiating Italian Presidency, Rome

2/7: Press conference with Enrique Barón Crespo, former President of the European Parliament and Martin Schulz, Leader of Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats a: on comments made by Italian President of the Council, Silvio Berlusconi comparing Schulz to a Nazi.

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Teile: DAH-42 07/2003 - 10/2003

Pat Cox - 16

8/7: [Edith] Cresson's survival depending on the Parliament

28/8: Meeting with G. [Novak], European Patents Office, Munich on: relations with EU Institutions and Brussels office of EU Patent Office, software patenting, EU country patents

3/9: Meeting between Pat Cox (MEP) and [Franco] Frattini, Ministro per la Funzione Pubblica, topics discussed: Middle East - Cox says security reaction of Israel excessive and that Abu Mazen, President of Palestine shows moral courage. EU should support view of Palestinian movement. Frattini going to UN to talk to Koffi Annan on Iraq and Middle East. He agrees on importance of better and bigger role for European Parliament in Intergovernmental Conference (IGC), spirit of convention should be continued on Middle East and quotes Yasser Arafat who says the "roadmap" is dead. EU must maintain relations with Abbas (aka Abu Mazen) sources.

8/9: Meeting between Pat Cox (MEP) and Polish politician

16/9: Meeting with Richard Sinnott and Jean Blondel: visibility, need to improve people's understanding of EU's work, EU environment tax

22/9: Visit by Pat Cox to Berlin: German economy, sustainable social solidarity

23/9: Hans-Gert Pöttering, Leader of the European People's Party-European Democrats, press conference: give [Eurostat] the highest priority, need for transparency

23/9 Bonn: problem of coordinating the transition from UCLAF/OLAF (anti-fraud)

3/2/2003: Rome: Pat Cox interview: 4 sticking points - voting system, religion (EU must learn lessons of Srebrenica), the proposal for a European Foreign Minister and Commission vis-a-vis the Council Presidency' (with regard to responsibility)

4/3/2003: Press conference with Silvio Berlusconi, Romano Prodi and Pat Cox, Rome. Cox says time to stop "endless tinkering and draw a line under institutional introspection". Importance of clarifying the Constitution and not unravel collective EU interests. Prodi feels a Europe-wide referendum is unrealistic

7/10: Cox draft constitution is basis for IGC and should not be changed. European Parliament and governments on same line. Bundestag vote on 17 October on package of reform measures

8/10: Pat Cox meeting with Archbishop of Athens. Reference to religious communities in Article 51 of the draft treaty. Archbishop says that Mount Athos is a symbol of Europe's Christian roots

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

File: DAH-43 10/2003 - 11/2003 Pat Cox - 17

21/10: Meeting Cox and John Grant, UK Permanent Representative: need for fresh impetus into EU/US business dialogue. Issue of Turkey's accession. Lisbon – Economic reform. Martin Schultz promoting reform. Stability Pact – recent Summit not successful on economic reform

21/10: Cox interview in Corriere della Sera : Europe must have conscience – Tampere Summit, October 1999: legislation approved by European Parliament (EP) but not decided by Council

4/11: Meeting between Cox and Bundestag President Wolfgang Thierse: EU renewal and redefinition appeals for first ever genuinely European elections. Europe depends on Germany's choices in economic reform. Question of turnout in European elections. EP financial resources for election campaign

4/11: Cox visits Bundestag European Committee

4/11: Cox interviewed by German newspapers: European economic reform, stability pact, democracy, European elections

4/11: Cox meeting with Joschka Fischer, German foreign minister: difficulty in reaching consensus in IGC. Need for EP to compromise, some sort of conciliation. EP anxiety about Ecofin. Hesitation in IGC not to let EP have last word on EU budget. Problem of Poland. Expectation that 2004 European elections be more political

11/11: Meeting Cox and President Pera, President of Italian Senate: powers of EP. International arrest warrant: constitutional issues on people's basic rights

13/11: Cox lunches with journalists: perception of Brussels in public opinion. Budget limited but communications a priority for next Commission. Values of EU: democracy, rule of ??????, ICC, sustainability/Kyoto, solidarity

17/11: Blair's speech to CBI conference: being in EU brings massive benefits. Anti-Europe is anti-business. Need to modernise EU institutions. EU must think first and foremost about jobs and competition. Lisbon agenda isn't enough, need to steer Europe away from idea that modern social agenda is about regulation. Issue is not to get rid of social agenda but redefine it

17/11: Conversation between Cox, Blair and Stephen Wall (advisor) after conference: France and Germany tricked UK on rebate

18/11: Meeting between Cox and Political parties: preparation for 2004 European elections

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

Access level: Open Document, Open Description

The file: DAH-44 11/2003 - 01/2004

Pat Cox - 18

19/11: 33 Catalan visitors refused entry to European Parliament (EP)

19/11: Political Parties Meeting: communications policy

24/11: Summit preparations

24/11: "Financial Times" launches "counter-attack on Brussels"

26/11: Cox on stability pact. Fine Gael will promote European campaign. Role of European Public Prosecutor. Stem cell research.

26/11: Elmar Brok, MEP press conference: European Convention

27/11: Conversation between Cox, Brian Cowen, Irish PM: European constitution, budget, IGC – defence and NATO

27/11: Cox press conference, Dublin: development process, Ecofin, stability pact, censorship, stem-cell research, EU-US relations, compromise on IGC

3/12: Meeting Cox and Willi Rothley, German MEP: Primary law, fiscal regime, Papandreou and Member's statute 4/12: Rothley press conference: member's statute

4/12: Cox: IGC

12/12: IGC: Votes/Seats, budget, Constitutional Treaty, co-decision problems, foreign affairs

12/12: Julian Priestly, Secretary General of the EP on IGC

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13/12: Silvio Berlusconi, Romano Prodi and Cox press conference: majority voting

16/12: Meeting Cox and Martin Schulz, Leader of 19/11: 33 Catalan visitors refused entry to EP

19/11: Political Parties Meeting: communications policy

24/11: Summit preparations

24/11: Financial Times launches "counter-attack on Brussels"

26/11: Cox on stability pact. Fine Gael will promote European campaign. Role of European Public Prosecutor. Stem cell research.

26/11: Brok press conference: European Convention

27/11: Conversation between Cox, Brian Cowen: European constitution, budget, IGC – defence and NATO

27/11: Cox press conference, Dublin: development process, Ecofin, stability pact, censorship, stem-cell research, EU-US relations, compromise on IGC

3/12: Meeting Cox and Willi Rothley, German MEP: Primary law, fiscal regime, Papandreou and Member's statute

4/12: Rothley press conference: member's statute

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16/12: Meeting Cox and Martin Schulz: EP voted wisely and well

6/1/04: Letters bombs sent to MEPs from Bologna

7/1: Cox meeting with political parties: outreach, data privacy, financial prospects

13/1: Cox on stability pact

13/1: Cox on Madrid

23/1: Cox discussions with Ana Palacio: ETA

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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26/1: Speech by Pat Cox to Congress for Victims of Terrorism, Madrid: minority rights, right to dissent by peaceful and non-violent means is part of democracy, European Parliament (EP) condemns all acts of terror, mutual arrest warrant and extradition

27/1 : Meeting with José Maria Aznar, PM of Spain: Constitutional Treaty, enlargement – Poland and strategic margin for manoeuvre, French public opinion and French political class not favourable on enlargement. Aznar says that it is a serious mistake that the European Council as 2nd Chamber has more proportionality than 1st as previous system worked so far. Cox thanks Spanish government for support on Statute

28/1: Pat Cox meets with Ana Palacio, Spanish Foreign Minister: Failure in Council on [Members'] Statute is another symbol of Europe being unable to do European business – 2003 saw EU's Iraq Crisis and non-respect for Stability Pact and breakdown of Summit on IGC, which leads to increase in Euroscepticism. Tasks in 2004 very difficult. Palacio says the debate must remain on sober lines and avoid French/German dominance. Discuss issue of double majority. Need to decide what Europe wants for Europe before European elections; Meeting with José Luis Zapatero, leader of Spanish Socialist Party (PSOE): ETA weakened. PSOE will win elections and lead to change in Spain's policy towards EU and US

10/02: Pat Cox on budget

2/3: Meeting with Beate Winkler, Director of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia on anti-Semitism in Europe

4/3: meeting with Vaclav Klaus, President of Czech Republic who says that Turkey is closer to Afghanistan than to Europe and that the EU was much harder on his country about reforms 5 years previously

9/3: Cox interviews with ITV: migrants, Iraqi crisis, stability pact, lack of Statute means that EP remains just an Assembly not a truly European Institution, new President of the Commission

11/3: Condemnation by Cox of terrorist attack in Madrid

17/3: Pat Cox's visit to Los Angeles: EU-US friction

18/3: Pat Cox's visit to Denver and meeting with Governor Bill Owens: no safe haven for terrorists in the EU

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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18/3: Spanish general elections in the aftermath of Madrid Train Bombings, José María Aznar, Spainish PM Vs José Luis Rodríguez Zapatero (won elections in April 2004 to become Spanish PM)

19/3: Washington meeting with Under-Secretary, Marc Grossman discussed: Guantanamo – question of PNR (passenger name records) and EU Privacy Laws. Spain – terrorism. US preoccupation with Al Qaeda. Iraq - Spanish troop's presence could be put under UN control. Turkey and the question of Cyprus. Grossman happy that Cox is prepared to pay a visit to Cyprus. Question of multi-ethnic Kosovo;. Meeting with Ambassador Tom Weston, State Department special coordinator for Cyprus – states that Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash will try to sabotage April Referendum. Line to be taken with House Speaker, Dennis Hastert on need for certain elements in US to show respect for Madrid victims and not use it for personal or political ends

25/3: Pat Cox's speech for Summit (IGC). Path for conclusion of the Constitutional Treaty. Meeting between Bertie Ahern, Irish PM and Romano Prodi, President of the Commission in preparation for IGC – 22 issues on the table, 16 resolvable and 6 more complex: double majority, justice and home affairs, Parliament's budgetary powers – France and Germany prefer co-decision

29/3: EU takes anti-semitism very seriously - report by Beate Winkler on the European Monitoring Center on racism and xenophobia in preparation for press conference with Cox, Winker and Cobi Benatoff, Vice-President of European Court of Justice (held on 31/3/2004). European Parliament (EP) position on tobacco advertising, blue flags on beaches – EU initiative, EU standards for domestic appliances – energy consumption, Eurozone bank charges

30/3: Cox meeting with Geoffrey Hoon, UK Defence Secretary: UK-NATO, future of Iraq – challenge for EU if UN has more active role there will be less cover for inactivity. Need to unite in the reconstruction of Iraq – bring real political benefits and increase pool of resources available (eg, India). US administration feels Europe is not playing at

the same table so need to assuage sceptical republicans. Cox says that EU should accept "mea culpa'. Meeting with Beate Winkler (antisemitism in the EU) : Cox talks of need for dialogue, bridge building, Europe of values is a response to the right, EP rejects classes of civilisation, respect

5/4: Wicklow Speech – blue flags, Erasmus, disabled, travelling with pets in EU

15/4: Situation in Cyprus in the run up to referendum – Cox says he is disappointed with lack of imagination and courage. Speaks as an outsider but a passionate European and Islander (Ireland). Nicosia will remain as Europe's last divided capital. "Best way to deal with fears and threats is to vote positively for the "Annan Plan"; Meeting with UN Envoy De Soto, who was stunned by the virulence of President Papadopoulos' recent TV address calling on Greek Cypriots to reject Annan Plan

20/4: Meeting with Ernest Benach, President of the Catalan Parliament. Two points considered: (1) recognition of Catalan as EU language and (2) regional policy. Cox makes comparison to Irish, which is considered an official language but not a working language of EP

26/4: Speech by President Cox in Derry honouring John Hume, MEP on his contribution to peace and deep understanding of European integration. Situation in the Middle East, Cox says "cantonisation" of West Bank into pock-marked , unviable units will not help bring peace". Need for Ireland to give green light to the Constitutional Treaty

27/4: Official visit by President Cox to the UK and meeting with Tony Blair PM: the Constitutional Treaty – Blair says UK is worried about what it will lose from Treaty. States that the European Parliament is important, has real power and is important that people vote. Position of other countries, Stephen Wall, British Cabinet office says that the position of France had hardened since December; The new Commission – Cox doesn't know what Bertie Ahern, Taoiseach (Irish Prime Minister) will decide; Middle East – upset in EP on UK support for the "Sharon Plan". Blair says that George Bush is misunderstood as he too supports the Sharon Plan that has been heavily criticised by the Palestinians.

28/4: Press breakfast: Middle East, European Elections, referendum – Cox says that it is a mood test about UK's sense of itself and of its place in wider world. No chance of a two speed Europe; Says that Tories will run a very high-level but low-running campaign for European elections. Need for closer cooperation between Labour and the Liberal Democrats

27/4: Treasury and Private Banking: European Parliament budgetary powers - Cox says he fears strong political reaction from EP if powers are reduced

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28/4: BBC Hardtalk programme. Interim report to Romano Prodi, Commission President covered: referendum, constitution, Eurostat, MEPs allowances; Issue of Cox's charter flights and issue of retrospective permission for reimbursement

6/5: Right of citizens to appeal to Ombudsman

6/5: Visit by Pat Cox to receive Charlemagne Prize: Discusses (1) European Parliament (2) Enlargement (3) Constitution, (4) Common Foreign and Security Policy and (5) Ireland

10/5: Telephone Conversation between Cox and Commissioner Michel Barnier: French Presidency of the Council, Iraq, Chirac's choice for President of the Commission. Meeting Cox with Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, French politician, on Aachen, next European Parliament (EP) President and new President of the Commission

11/5: Belgian General Election Polls; MEPs and expenses scandal; Speech by President to Forum Barcelona – political vision of early leaders of EU integration. Gaelic as official language but not working language. Question of Catalan as official language

12/5: Interview with TVE - Spanish TV

13/5: Michael Stabenow Brussels correspondent of German newspaper, FAZ

Materials: Textual

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Tele: DAH-48 06/2004 - 07/2004

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8/6: European Parliament (EP) investigation into possible fraud on basis of evidence submitted by President. Further case at Committee meeting October 2001 as "travel arrangements do not add up"

14/6: "Pathetically low turnout at European elections", suggests next time political parties nominate "champions", thereby injecting more Europe into European elections

15/6: Comité de direction: new posts proposed for 2005

17/6: Voting system. Eurozone still a problem

25/6: PNR (passenger name records) – new form of creeping extra- territoriality – concern felt in EP on need to defend EU Citizen's rights and freedoms while accepting US Administration's right to protect its homeland

28/6: Pat Cox offers congratulations to Prime Minister Barroso's nomination at President of the Commission

30/6: Pat Cox and Barroso – need for transparency and political debate: Meeting between Pat Cox and US Ambassador to the EU Rockwell Schnabel. Explains vote on PNR. Reference to extra-territoriality ruffles feathers in Washington – shows need for warning system for legislation. Discuss Barroso – not well known outside Europe "could be victim of process'

30/6 : Meeting between Neil Kinnock, Vice President of the EP and Pat Cox

6/7: PES election of candidate for Presidency of EP. Voting 187 – Borrell 117 and Wynn 66 (replaced Cox)

12/7 : Borrell asks David Harley to become spokesperson – many criticisms as previously spokesperson for Pat Cox. Martin Schulz advises Harley to accept
13/7: Harley looking forward to returning to the PES Group. He informs Schulz he is a candidate for the post of Secretary-General of the Group, and Schulz pledges support
15/7: Discussions between Barroso and Schulz
20/7 – 27/7: Organisation of work in his new position and staffing issues in the EP
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Secretary-General of the European Parliament Socialist Group under the Chairmanship of Martin Schulz

Documents from 2004 to 2007 Notes/remarks: There are some gaps for the months May - September 2005 Size: 8 notebooks Materials: Textual Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

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31/8: Martin Schulz, Leader of the S&D group in the European Parliament (EP) says "Eastern dimension" lacking in cooperation

1/9: Meeting between EP President Borrell and Martin Schulz on Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), new Constitution, Members' statute

7/9: Meeting between Martin Schulz and Commissioner Peter Mandelson. Schulz says that main aim is to seek points of common interest with European Peoples Party (EPP). Scope for SocDem policy objectives lies in co decision and negotiations with EPP. Schulz feels he has majority in Socialist group but not in France. Schulz needs support of Socialist Commissioners to ensure success of his strategy.

8/9: Meeting between Schulz and Borrell: reticence by many Vice-Presidents on campaign for Constitution, Spain problem and Catalan. Borrell concerned about press reaction co-options for Commissioners

14/9: Martin Schulz and Josep Borrell on Members' Statute. Meeting between Schulz, Margot Wallstrom, Vice President of European Commission, Commissioner Günter Verheugen and Commissioner Joaquín Almunia on Commission report for Turkey's readiness to join the EU

22/9: Meeting Schulz and Borrell: Temporary Committee "Policy Challenges and Budgetary Means of the Enlarged Union from 2007-2013" - Terry Wynn's (MEP) status as CoBU member, Constitution, Turkey, problem with French delegation

23/9: Meeting between President Barroso and Schulz [nomination of Rocco Buttiglione] Barroso says that EP needs to be careful not to diminish the "status" of Commissioners. He doesn't want an institutional problem created . Preoccupied by public opinion in member states and the rise of populism. Turkey is an example of a divisive issue. Schulz says he agrees 100%that EP doesn't need leadership from the Commission but partnership. Suggests

Barroso take initiative to get the socialists and EPP on the same page on Commission's priority issues 6/10: Martin Schulz's discussion with Javier Solana, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and

Security Policy, on Israel's invitation to send a delegation to Israel. Solana says that Israel during a possible visit should be pinned down on progress. Israel was very surprised that EU had united position on wall. Solana said visit shouldn't be instrumentalised but should be positive, constructive and tough

7/10 : Assessment of new Commissioners elect after first week of hearings. Commission considered weak and market oriented with no social agenda. Issue of Rocco Buttiglione's portfolio

19/10: Meeting between Barroso and Schulz in the Commission, on reshuffle of portfolios. Schulz doesn't think the Socialist Commissioners will back Barroso on Buttiglione and Schulz wants absolute majority

21/10: Schulz says Buttiglione can't be Commissioner for Civil Liberties in interview with BBC

26/10: Discussion in the European Parliament Labour Party on the situation followed by group meeting with unanimous rejection of Barroso Commission. Commissioner Peter Mandelson's clash with Schulz on the former's criticism of the Socialist Group

27/10: Schulz meets Barroso who decides to postpone approval of new Commission

30/10: Commission reshuffle as Buttiglione is withdrawn along with other changes

2/11: Harley speaks to Peter Mandelson who finds changes in Commission to his satisfaction

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9/11: Martin Schulz, Leader of the S&D group in the European Parliament (EP) visit to Istanbul

10/11: Bureau and Head of Delegations meetings

11/11: John Bruton (EU Ambassador to US) meeting with Martin Schulz on creating links with Democratic Party Council. Schulz highlights need for greater EP relations with US administration. Need to promote stable peace in Iraq as in Europe's best interests. Bruton states that there is need to get Congressmen interested in EU

16/11: Meeting Schulz and President of the Commission, José Manuel Barroso: discussions on possible names of new Commissioners

23-25/11 visit to Turkey by Schulz and EP delegation and the opening of negotiations with Turkey for membership. Issue of Turkish position on Cyprus. Schulz says that Turkish membership of EU not just of interest of Turkey but of all European nations. Schulz discussions with Erdogan: need for Turkey to implement necessary steps as precondition to negotiations

26/11: PES (Party of European Socialists) Conclave, Madrid: European Social Model, immigration policy, taxation and political situation in Ukraine (elections). Any idea of European quota on immigration would be problematic 1/12 : Schulz in favour of option clause in member's statute (MEP) – ethical standards and code of conduct

8/12 : Schulz organises meeting on planning for 2005 with PES playing key role in EP and in international relations 13/12 : Opinions on Turkey negotiations. UK and Germany completely against "privileged partnership' option. UK wants no mention of alternative to membership

14-17: Preliminary work on Summit to decide on formally opening accession negotiations with Turkey

20/12: Meeting between Schulz and Klaus Topfer, Director of UN Environment Programme. The latter stresses need for closer links between EU and UN to meet the challenges of multilateralism. EU is counter project to other environmental policies, which are linked to cultural questions.

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22/2: Discussions between Martin Schulz, Leader of the S&D group in the European Parliament (EP) and Patricia Hewitt, UK Trade secretary: improve EU institutions, Stability Pact, Services Directive, need for new image of UK in Europe and of a Labour led Government, Euromed dialogue

23/02: Meeting between Schulz and Commissioner McCreevy: Services Directive. Bolkestein Directive – PES largely against it. German elections

1/3: Meeting of PES: work programme

3/3: Meeting of Jan Marinus Wiersma, Belgium MEP, Harley and Leonard Orban, Chief Romanian negotiator in Bucharest: accession issues: reform of judiciary, state aid, fighting corruption

3/5: Meeting with Monica Macovel, Romanian Minister of Justice: cases against former ministers. Difficulties of Romania being able to fulfil criteria for membership

3/5: Meeting with Marko Bela, Deputy Romanian PM. Meeting between Jan Marinus Wiersma, Member of the PES bureau and Emil Boc, President of PD (Democratic Party): accession and relations between PES and PD

11/3 : Social Democratic retreat in Kingston on Thames, Surrey in which Martin Schulz, Commissioner Peter Mandelson, Member of the PSE bureau, Dominique Strauss-Kahn, former French politican and Pascal Lamy, DG of WTO attended: Constitutional Treaty. Global social democracy

12/4: Socialist Commissioners' dinner, Strasbourg attended by Commissioner Joaquin Almunia and Mandelson on how to handle the risk of a "No" vote on Treaty. Need to create a multiparty Pro-European platform. French and Dutch public opinion anti-globalisation and economic malaise

18/4: Conversation with Commissioner Margot Wallström: debate on constitution shows mistrust on EU project – elitist project. Need to adapt local and national sensitivities. Listen – open EU channel of dialogue. Be more reflective

19/4: Controversy caused by Barroso's holiday with Greek magnate and link to Commission aid package

26/4: Schulz meeting with the Women's Center Working Group: encourage PES women to develop activities in area 27/4: Report by Josep Borrell, EP President on his meeting with EU finance ministers on refusal of financial aid for French referendum campaign. Members' statute

10/5: Request by Hamid Karzai, President of Afghanistan for aid in organising elections

24/5: Meeting of Socialist International in Ramallah

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11/10: Declaration on EU Immigration by Martin Schulz, Leader of the S&D group in the European Parliament (EP) 13/10 : Meeting between Martin Schulz and Charles Clarke, UK Home Secretary: Fight against terrorism

17/10: Ljubljana: PES meeting with applicant states . Macedonia first steps

20/10: Schulz press briefing. Expresses dismay on Barroso Commission's lack of structure. Questions and Answers: Constitution, reforms in EU, Barroso – need for leadership in Commission

25/10: Dinner with seven EU Socialist PM's including Schulz and Tony Blair: globalisation adjustment fund. Future of Europe

30/10: Visit by five secretaries-general of the main political groups to China on the invitation of the government for fact-finding mission

31/10: Status of Taiwan, EU-China dialogue, Human Rights, "One China, Two Systems", Chinese foreign policy, Health care, China's market economy status

1/11: Difficulties of NGO's operating in China. Environment

15/11: Meeting between John Prescott, UK Deputy PM and Schulz's substitute Hannes Swoboda : agricultural reform

15/11: Team meeting – Schulz, Jan Marinus Wiersma, Member of the PES bureau and advisor to Schulz and Hannes Swoboda on Services Directive

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Languages: English

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21/11: Strategy Meeting of Martin Schulz's team: Hannes Swoboda and Jan Marinus Wiersma on the Services Directive – social protection, exclusion of public services from directive, consumer protection, collective bargaining for salaries, market access

23/11: Socialist Group meeting which included Harley – budget issues

1/12: Meeting Schulz, Josep Borrell, President of the European Parliament and Poul Nyrup Rasmussen (MEP): Services Directorate

13/12: Meeting Catherine Colonna, French European Affairs Minister and Schulz: Budgetary contributions - UK proposals on financial perspectives. Agreement at next European Council improbable as little chance of progress on either the financial perspective or the constitution. Problem of enlargement. Dutch "identity crisis" – say no to everything

18/12: EU Summit Vienna: Budget decision

19/12: Schulz Press Conference on Summit: Compromise is better than failure. Compromise not finalised. Role of European Parliament (EP) in approving budget. Praise of Tony Blair for input in getting result during UK Presidency 19/12: Josep Borrell press conference on Summit

12/01/06: Meeting with Klaus Hänsch, former President of the EP : People's dialogue

12/01/06: Global Progressive Forum in which Schulz and Harley participated

23/1/06: Meeting with Austrian Ambassador : Social Summit on services

24/1: Javier Solana, EU High Representative, Schulz, Hannes Swoboda and Jan Marinus Wiersma talks on: Ukraine, Iran, Hamas-Palestine-Iran and Kosovo

30/1: EU solidarity with Denmark after protests in Gaza against Danish cartoons of the Mohammed

31/1: Schulz conversation with Commissioner Charlie McCreevy on Services Directive: need for compromise Materials: Textual

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27-28/02/06: Visit to Beijing with Socialist Group delegation: human rights, lifting arms embargo, Taiwan, "One China Policy", EU-China economic policy, NGO's in China

1/3: Schulz press conference on trip to China: EU-China relations, Chinese economic development, exchange of views on Iran, human rights issues

1/3: David Harley notes on Global Progressive Forum

8/3 : Moroccan PM, Driss Jettou's visit to Brussels to discuss Western Sahara: problems with Algeria

10/3: Meeting of European Left (PES) in Prague, with keynote speech by Tony Blair: growth and investment, energy, progressive Left values

20/3: Visit of Chinese delegation to Brussels: climate change

20/3: Visit of Harley and Jan Marinus Wiersma, Member of the PSE bureau and advisor to Schulz, to prepare for Group Delegation visit in July: meeting with Ken Wollack, President of the National Democratic Institute (NDI): lack of EU support for emerging democracies. Need for US and European Democrats to join forces to promote integration of multi-party democracy. Encourage the PES and NDI work together.

20/3: Discussions in Capitol Hill on Israel and Iran. Concerns about European Left's approach to Israel. Meeting with Jonathon Katz, legislative director for Congressman Robert Wexler and Jason Steinbaum, Chief of Staff to Republican Elio Engel and Wendy Sherman: democracy

3.4: Schulz talks with Austrian Chancellor, Woflgang Schussel on budget compromise

5/4: Schulz talks with Douglas Alexander, UK Minister for Europe, on the Austrian compromise to the UK proposal 3/5: Schulz meeting with Mexican Ambassador: Mexican elections

19/5: Policy Network Event: speech by David Miliband, UK MInister: future of Social-Democratic politics. Key areas of future: economic, social, environment and sustainability

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30/5: meeting with Harlem Désir, French MEP on "réseau phare"

13/6: Meeting with Tony Blair

20/6: Gordon Brown's address to the European Parliament's Labour Party (EPLP) on increase in Europe in protectionism and populism. Left must take lead for managing global change as all problems in Europe result from scope and scale of global change – need to put case for progressive globalisation and defend free trade. Brown highlights importance of social dimension an consulting the workforce, need for collective agreements on environment and moral and strategic responsibilities toward African development

26/6: Helsinki European Summit

30/6: Meeting with Israeli Ambassador: increase in tension in Gaza

11/7: Points to raise in visit to Mexico

12-15/8: Visit with Martin Schulz to Washington: meeting with Ellen Tauscher, Chair of New Democrats Caucus: identify issues of common interest to develop progressive transatlantic agenda. Meeting John Podesta member of Albright Group: US has helped to strengthen Putin's hand. Meeting with Republican Dennis Kucinich: Democrats have no position on war [against terrorism] or on healthcare. Schulz invites Kucinich to Brussels as first congressman who has described concretely, ways in which the EU and US can cooperate

13/9: Moscow visit: EU-Russia – Belarus, Caucus, energy, Gazprom, Iran

15/7: Meeting with Tracy McKibben, White House at the National Security Council as senior director of European affairs and EU relations: G8 Summit – US/Russian relations: gas deal

28/8: Meeting Schulz and Piero Fassino (Italian Politician): Situation of the political left in Italy and possible mergers of political parties

31/8 Meeting Schulz and Borrell: parliamentary reform

6/9: Talks between Schulz and Kim Darroch, Tony Blair's European adviser: Merkel's fears on lack of progress on the Constitutional Treaty. Darroch says UK aim will be to seek agreement which will fall short of requirements for holding referendum

11/9: PES meeting in Berlin: relaunch EU social policy

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24/9: European Parliament Labour Party (EPLP) Conference, Manchester

11/10: Schulz talks with Mehmet Ali Talat, President of Northern Cyprus: Turkish Cypriots University Degree recognition in Europe

17/10: Announcement of retirement of Julian Priestley, European Parliament (EP) Secretary General

17/10: Dinner with Commissioner Peter Mandelson and Senior commission officials and Business leaders to discuss research and innovation

18/10: Discussions with Madeline Albright and Ken Wollack (President of the National Democratic Institute (NDI): democracy. Middle East. EU to support innovation and success. Rhetoric in EU institutions. Barroso management of Commission. Situation in Georgia

20/10: Conversation on Gordon Brown's taking over from Tony Blair as British PM and his attitude towards Europe. Seen as the last European in the UK Labour Party

29/10 – 4/11: Harleys visit to Washington during mid-term elections: legislative process, legacy of George W. Bush: Ira. Meeting with T. Tilleman, Office of Senator Joe Biden: Iran, Darfur, African Union force along lines of NATO. Meeting with Tamera Luzzatto, Hillary Clinton's chief of staff: Democrats must be open to coalition and consensus. Bush left record of debt and deficit. Need for civic leaders to set goals. Qualities of Obama. EU-US cooperation on security and climate change. Meeting with John Lawrence, Chief of Staff of Nancy Pelosi: Civility and ethics. Investigation into Iraq not on Pelosi's agenda. Meeting with Gary J. Schmitt, American Enterprise Institute: Areas for EU-US cooperation – Iran, Energy/Russia, climate. Meeting with Kurt Volker, Deputy Assitance Secretary in the State Dept: main current issues – dialogue on environment, data protection, international humanitarian law, democracy protection, REACH – chemical industry in EU, home and security – Guantanamo: US have abided by article 3 of the Geneva Convention on treatment of prisoners, Javier Solana, EU High Representative, as face of EU in Washington 7/11: Conversations between Romano Prodi and Schulz on re-alignment of left in Italy, the birth of the Partito democratico and repercussions on PES

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Deputy Secretary-General of the European Parliament

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP): Meeting between Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of the EP and José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission on the Berlin declaration commemorating the 50th anniversary of Treaty of Rome Meeting with Pierre Antoine Barthélémy, EU official in DG 1 on human resources

Meeting between Pottering and Martin Schulz, Leader of the Party of European Socialists in the EP on: climate change, immigration, constitution

Meeting with David Blunkett, former Home Secretary, London: UN Charter on disability, and the chances that EU could sign up.

Meeting with Geoff Hoon, Chief Whip on Treaty of Lisbon

Meeting with Stewart Wood, Treasury on Gordon Brown's EU agenda

Meeting with Sam Morgan, FCO on Spring EU Council meeting: climate, energy

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tile: DAH-58 02/2007 - 07/2007 DSG - 2

Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: Round table of the President's [Hans-Gert Pöttering] Cabinet: climate change, Berlin declaration Organisation of work and human resources policy in the Cabinet, staff training

Meeting with Catherine Day, Secretary General of the Commission on transparency

Martin Schultz's, Leader of the Party of European Socialists in the EP, visit to the US: meeting with Nancy Pelosi **Olaf Report**

Meeting with Martin Schultz : PES-PPE agreement

Meeting between David Martin, MEP and Geoff Hoon, UK Minister of State for Europe: UK wants detailed agreement on minimalist package at Summit, then to be ratified in Commons early 2008. Real problem is "The Times" and not Murdoch

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: Mr Wang's visit to EP as part of Chinese Mission: promote dialogue for reciprocal interests of two countries

Note on meeting with Nicole Fontaine,

Staff issues

Appointment of Kim Darroch to the post of permanent representative of the UK to the EU

Visit of Harley to Rome in May 2007 discussions on Assemblea parlamentare euromediterranea (APEM)

Meeting with Alessandro Pallanza, [Deputy Secretary General of the EP]: Need for EP to be leader rather than forum. Twinning – Russian and other countries. European constitution

Meeting with Italian politicians : Piero Fassino: membership of Italian democrats in PES group in EP. Rutelli reticent. Veltroni and links to British Labour Party. Possibility of Massimo d'Alema for President of Commission

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: mission objectives and strategy. Implementation and management. Personnel issues. National Parliaments

Notes on EMS

Meeting between Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of EP and Prince of Wales: EU and EP on climate issues. Importance of Prince of Wales including Europe in his speech. Problems with anti Europe sentiment in British press. Treaty of Lisbon

Progressive Governance Conference, 4 April 2007

Meeting with Helen Clarke, New Zealand PM: incoherence in global institutions. Afghanistan. United Kingdom. Global financial crisis. Growth of NGO's

Coreper lunch including Pöttering: External Action Service should be connected to commission. Implementation of Lisbon Treaty. Viewpoints on Serbia. Continuity of Institutions

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: preparations for 2009 EP elections: EU/EP provide infrastructure for members campaigning, website allowance and communications strategies

Meeting with Pervenche Berès, MEP

Meeting with Raj Singh [journalist] on solutions and technologies for campaigns and voters

Meeting between Martin Schulz, Leader of Party of European Socialists in EP and Markus Winkler, head of Schulz's office: how to define and possibly limit the powers of Klaus Welle when he becomes Secretary General of the EP.

Meeting with Francois Fillon, French PM on COSAC - talks of need of co decision on CFSP with EP

Meeting with Paul Heardman, who was responsible for relations with the EP at the UK permanent representative on amending regulations on (1) Balance of Payments, (2) Climate Change and (3) Thoughts on the Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC)

Further discussion on position of Secretary General of the EP. Need to decide together with Klaus Welle on structures to increase efficiency in the EP administration

Meeting with Permanent Representatives/COREPER; Surprise that Hans-Gert Pöttering, European Parliament President wasn't invited to Summit . Meeting with Pierre Sellal, France's former Permanent Representative to the EU and other Member's Ambassadors and Danish Ambassador on financial crisis and balance of payments, climate change and Lisbon Treaty, Elections and the statute for assistants; Participation at Policy Network Meeting in London with main speakers Peter Mandelson and Joseph Nye: election of Obama, global, financial crisis, EU-US collaboration in dealing with climate change, Europe must make greater contribution to peace-keeping, work together to fight isolationists, embrace progressive social ideas. Need to push for Doha Deal. Nye lists Obama's main internal priorities: cut taxes, healthcare, green jobs and education. Mandelson says EU needs to implement Lisbon Treaty.

Meeting in Cambridge. Points raise by John Eatwell on need for EU Treasury and not just a Central Bank. Criticism of capital requirement directive. Need for framework such as Worldwide Financial Authority

Comments on Harley's working relationship as Deputy Secretary of the EP with Klaus Welle Secretary-General of the EP

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: Klaus Welle, Secretary General of European Parliament (EP) from 1 March 2009: Key areas – governance, constitutive session, projects, urgent sessions: DG I restructuring, budget 2010, staff

Alexandre Lamfalussy, President of the European Monetary Institute, forerunner of the European Central Bank on why the European Central Bank has been a success

R. Corbett on rule changes

Meeting Gordon Brown, British PM and Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of the EP : latter furious with [David] Cameron on wanting to leave the European People's Party group in the EP

April: Goethe Club, SG Tabling Office, staffing points, management team

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: Reminders, points to be developed in future in convincing public "that we need Europe""

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Notes made by David Harley during his activities as Deputy Secretary General of the European Parliament (EP) concerning: Financial Times/City of London meeting on future of financial services: root cause of crisis was debt-fuelled binge. Solution depends on providing /raising equity for investment. Frans Timmermans, Dutch politician – people only tend to accept change if they feel they have security.

Security and access to House of Commons

Václav Havel's, President of Czech Republic, farewell speech

Paul Heardman: staff issues

Secretary General/Management Team meeting

Meeting with US Ambassador William Kennard on transnational objectives in US-EU friendship: TEC, innovation dialogue, economic growth, climate change: supporting tax credits for companies developing renewable energy and promoting energy efficiency. China and climate change. Russia and energy policy

Meeting with Stephen Kinsella: Steering Group for 1000 Club

Labour Party energy meeting

ACE Conference Birmingham

Wider Europe Conference: changes in EU System of external relations post-Lisbon, eastern neighbours, role of EP Meeting with Graham Watson, MEP where GW discussed Mikhail Khodorkovsky (Russian politician and businessman) strategic error in ordering second trial as now seen as martyr. GW says there is no difference between Chinese and Russians

Further exchanges on Mikhail Khodorkovsky. EU concerns about Belarus. Loss of business confidence in Russia Meeting with Olaf Cramme: re-emergence of 2-tier/speed Europe

Meeting with John Denham: aim to get sense of EU process especially from business perspective; Labour Party commitment to EU; external trade: Brussels against small players

Energy meeting

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Documents from 1991 to 2004 Size: 1 notebook, 4 files Languages: English Access level: Open Document, Open Description

Te file: DAH-62 1991 - 1992

Maastricht Treaty and European Parliament (general)

David Harley's notes on discussions surrounding the drafting of the Maastricht Treaty : Points concerning European Parliament (EP) articles: citizenship, ombudsman, social policy, election of President and members of Commission, "co-decision, discharge and control over Commission strengthened, strengthening of 'axis conforme" decision on European political parties, EMU- positive, declaration on racism and xenophobia

EP "points of unhappiness": structure – wanted a unified structure, information and consultation only on PESC, social policy – subject of co-decision, democratic control of EMU, budget, simultaneous mandates EP/Commission, "federal type' dropped, Election of President and members of Commission

Materials: Textual

Languages: English

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Tefile: DAH-66 15/07/1994

Notes on Extraordinary Meeting of the European Council to elect Commission President

Notes made by Harley on discussions between Helmut Kohl, German Federal Chancellor, Pauline Green, leader of the Parliamentary Group of the Party of European Socialists and others on the election of Jacques Santer as President of the Commission

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Tel: DAH-67 2002 - 2004

Visits of Pat Cox to Washington

Notes for the record of Pat Cox's, President of the European Parliament (EP), meeting with Vice-President of the US, Richard Cheney, 10/07/2002: EU-US relationship, invitation to President to address the EP, situation in the Middle-East and Iraq

Cox's meeting with Condoleezza Rice, National Security Advisor to the President of the US, 10/07/2002: Cox explained his visit's aims (1) relationship building (2) EU enlargement was important for US (3) invite President Bush to address the EP and to find a positive political platform for joint activities by the EP and Congress (4) Rich's assessment of the situation Turkey/Cyprus

Cox's meeting with Richard Armitage, Deputy Secretary of State, 10/07/2002: transatlantic partnership, Colin Powell's knowledge of EU institutions

Note on Cox meeting with Under-Secretary of State Grossman, covering Guantanamo prisoners, Spain/Iraq, Turkey/Cyrpus, PNR and Kosovo

Size: 4pp

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Note for the Record of Pat Cox's Meeting with Tony Blair

Notes for the record of Pat Cox's, President of the European Parliament (EP), meeting with Prime Minister Tony Blair on Cox's election as President of the EP. Preparation for European Council in Barcelona. Transatlantic relations *Size:* 4pp

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