

PROGRAMME

Thursday 23 June

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| 6.30 pm | Transfers from the hotels to "Vreugd en Rust",<br>Oosteinde 14 Voorburg<br>(Speakers and Secretaries-General of the Parliaments of<br>the twelve member-states of the European Union, the<br>European Parliament, Austria, Finland, Norway and Swe-<br>den only)<br>(see bus timetable) |
| 7.00    | Informal dinners  |
| ± 10.30 | Transfer to the hotels  |

## Friday 24 June

- ± 8.15 am Transfers from the hotels to the Conference venue  
(see bus timetable)
- 9.00 Arrival at the "Ridderzaal"  
(Knightshall, Binnenhof 11)
- 9.30 Opening of the Conference by  
Mr. Herman Tjeenk Willink,  
Speaker of the First Chamber
- Chairman: Mr. Willem Deetman,  
Speaker of the Second Chamber
- Approval of the Agenda
- Is Europe's parliamentary democracy  
in jeopardy?
- Presentation of subtheme :  
The media as a power in politics  
Rapporteur: Mr. Frank Swaelen,  
Speaker of the Senate of Belgium
- Presentation of subtheme :  
Parliament as a true reflection of the population  
Rapporteur: Mrs. Riitta Uosukainen,  
Speaker of the Eduskunta of Finland
- Presentation of subtheme :  
Instruments likely to improve parliamentary control  
Rapporteur: Mr. Heinz Fischer,  
Speaker of the Nationalrat of Austria
- Coffee break
- ± 10.30 Discussion
- 12.30 pm Luncheon given by the Minister of Economic Affairs of  
the Netherlands in honour of the Speakers  
"Noenzaal" First Chamber (Binnenhof 22)
- Luncheon for all other participants  
"Rolzaal" (Binnenhof 11)

2.00 pm Resumption of the Conference  
Chairman: Mr. Miguel Angel Martinez, President of the  
Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

4.30 Departure from the "Ridderzaal" (Knightshall) to the hotels;  
Speakers only

4.30 - 5.30 Discussion of the Activity Report of the European Centre  
for Parliamentary Research and Documentation  
for Secretaries-General and other participants  
in the "Ridderzaal" (Knightshall)  
Chairman: Mr. Willem Hendrik De Beaufort, Clerk of the  
Second Chamber

5.30 Transfer to the hotels for Secretaries-General and other  
participants

5.30 Departure of Speakers from the hotels for the Palace  
"Huis ten Bosch"

6.00 Her Majesty Queen Beatrix receives the Speakers at  
"Huis ten Bosch"

7.15 Departure from "Huis ten Bosch" to the Second Chamber

7.15 Departure from the hotels to the Second  
Chamber. (see bus timetable)

7.30 Dinner in the building of the Second Chamber  
(Statenpassage, Plein 2)

± 11.00 Departure from the Second Chamber to the hotels.

## Saturday 25 June

- 8.30 am            Transfer from the hotels to the "Ridderzaal"  
(Knightshall, Binnenhof 11)
- 9.00               Resumption of the Conference  
Chairman: Mr. Herman Tjeenk Willink, Speaker of the First  
Chamber
- Approval of the Activity Report of the European Centre for  
Parliamentary Research and Documentation
- Continuation of the discussion
- ± 11.30            Concluding remarks by Mr. Willem Deetman,  
Speaker of the Second Chamber
- Closure of Conference
- 11.45             Departure by bus for Amsterdam  
(all participants)
- 1.00 pm           Luncheon given by the Municipality of Amsterdam  
(Muziektheater)
- 3.00               Tour by boat through the canals;  
visit of some city renovation projects
- 5.00               End of tour
- ± 5.00            After debarkation at the "Beurs van Berlage" a special bus  
will depart for Schiphol Airport for those participants  
leaving The Netherlands from 6.30 pm  
(luggagebus, see page 9)
- 5.15               Farewell drink at the "Beurs van Berlage".  
Exhibition 'visual arts and human dignity'
- End of the programme
- 6.15               Departure for The Hague
- ± 7.15            Arrival at the hotels