## COMMITTEE OF GOVERNORS OF THE CENTRAL BANKS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

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## 261st MEETING BASLE, TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER 1991, AT 9.30 A.M.(1)

## Agenda

- I. Approval of the minutes of the 259th and 260th meetings, respectively.(2)
- II. Monitoring of economic and monetary developments and policies in the Community.(3)
- III. Adoption of the Committee's report to the EEC Ministers of Finance on developments on the foreign exchange markets of the nineteen countries participating in the concertation procedure during November and the first few days of December 1991.(4)
  - IV. Annual review of developments in the EMS exchange rate mechanism.(5)
  - V. Principles concerning prior agreement on interventions in Community currencies.(6)
- VI. Renewal of the swap agreements with Norges Bank.(7)
- VII. Economic and Monetary Union.(8)
- VIII. Other matters falling within the competence of the Committee.
  - IX. Date and place of next meeting.
  - (1) The meeting is expected to finish at lunchtime.
  - (2) The draft minutes of the 259th meeting were circulated on 8th November 1991. The draft minutes of the 260th meeting will follow shortly.
  - (3) The monitoring will be prepared by the Foreign Exchange Policy Sub-Committee Group (Monitoring Group) and the Committee of Alternates and will be based on the "Monitoring Charts", "Effective Exchange Rate Charts", "Concertation Tables" and "Monthly Statistical Series" which will be drawn up by the Secretariat and will be ready for the Governors in Basle.
  - (4) The draft report prepared by the Secretariat and finalised by the Concertation Group will be circulated to the Governors in Basle.
  - (5) The discussion will be based on a report which is being prepared by the Foreign Exchange Policy Sub-Committee in accordance with item 2 of its standing mandate, dated 11th December 1990. The report will be circulated shortly.

- (6) Under this item, the Committee will review the arrangements which were implemented in April 1991 for a trial period of six months. A short note by the Secretariat summarising the results of the examination by the Monitoring Group will follow shortly.
- (7) As the swap agreements expire on 31st December 1991, the Committee will have to decide whether and under which conditions these swap agreements should be renewed by the EC central banks. This matter has been dealt with by the Foreign Exchange Policy Sub-Committee and a short note prepared by the Secretariat will follow.
- (8) The Committee might wish to review the final developments in the IGC (see summary notes by the Secretariat of the IGC meetings of 11th-12th, 13th and 25th-26th November and 1st-2nd December 1991).