(a) Replace the last sentence of the statement by the representative of the European Communities by the following text:

"The Council could decide that the six-month period laid down in Article XXVIII:3 should not be considered as expiring before 31 August 1974, it being understood that that decision would not prejudice the legal rights of the Communities in the matter."

(c) Replace the third paragraph by the following:

"Many representatives supported the proposal to decide that the six-month period laid down in Article XXVIII:3 should not be considered to expire prior to 31 August 1974."