

## Austria's application for accession to the EEC (14 July 1989)

**Caption:** On 14 July 1989, Alois Mock, Austrian Foreign Minister, sends a letter to Roland Dumas, French Foreign Minister and President-in-Office of the Council of the European Communities, in which Austria officially submits its application for accession to the European Communities.

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Sir,

On behalf of the Republic of Austria, I have the honour to submit Austria's application for membership of the European Economic Community, pursuant to Article 237 of the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community.

Austria submits this application on the understanding that its internationally recognized status of permanent neutrality, based on the Federal Constitutional Law of 26 October 1955, will be maintained and that, as a member of the European Communities by virtue of the Treaty of Accession, it will be able to fulfil its legal obligations arising out of its status as a permanently neutral State and to continue its policy of neutrality as a specific contribution towards the maintenance of peace and security in Europe.

(Complimentary close).

(s.) Alois MOCK