## Letter from Ronald Mackay on the EPU's participation in the Hague Congress (London, 13 April 1948)

Caption: On 13 April 1948, Ronald Mackay, British Labour MP and Vice-President of the European Parliamentary Union (EPU), writes to Joseph Retinger, Secretary-General of the International Committee of the Movements for European Unity, to inform him of the EPU's recent decision to attend the Congress of Europe in The Hague.

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2, Clement's Inn, Strand, W.C.2. 13th April, 1948

Dear Mr. Retinger,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Council of the European Parliamentary Union at its meeting in London on the 9<sup>th</sup> April, 1948, was pleased to accept the invitation of the Joint International Committee of the Movements for European Unity to be one of the sponsors of the Hague Conference, and at the same meeting, the Council agreed to be represented at the Conference by approximately three hundred members of Parliament.

The Council is now taking the necessary steps to arrange for the representation.

The Council also appointed four of its members to serve on the International Committee until the period of the Hague Conference, these members being:

Dr. A.H.V. Hacke (Netherlands) I, Prinses Mariannelaan, 24, Voorburg.

Mlle. A.M. Trinquier (France) Palais du Luxembourg, Paris.

M. Arthur Gilson (Belgium) 33, rue Charles Legrelle, Bruxelles.

R.W.G. Mackay, Esq. (Gt. Britain) 2, Clement's Inn, London, W.C.2.

In view of the difficulties arising, owing to shortness of time and the Committee being separated, the Council authorised me to act for it in respect of any matter arising out of the Hague Conference, but of course, if a meeting of the international Committee is called I would be glad if the four members of the Council above named could be invited.

Yours sincerely,

R.W.G. MACKAY

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