

**\*European Press Release 19.07.2000**

Speech by Romano Prodi President of the European Commission THE NEW EUROPE AND JAPAN To Keidanren at Keidanren Kaikan Tokyo, 19 July 2000  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

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Speech by the Rt. Hon Christopher Patten CH Member of the European Commission responsible for External Relations What does Europe's common foreign and security policy mean for Asia Japanese Institute for International Affairs Tokyo, 19 July 2000  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

## Trade, Industry & Energy

### Business

**Green Paper 05.07.2000**

Knowledge Funding—Consultation Paper. Copies from Andrew Moore, Small Business Service Investment Directorate, Level 2, St Mary's House, c/o Moorfoot, Sheffield S1 4PQ Tel 0114 259 7422, Website: <http://www.businessadviceonline.org/knowledgefund>  
 Comments by 30 September 2000

### Communications

**Website News 14.07.2000**

The Radiocommunications Agency has updated its web site. See the RA's What's New page:  
<http://www.radio.gov.uk/whats—n/new.htm>

### Competition

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European Commission approves conditional funding for Tramediterranea  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

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Commission investigates aid in a management contract between German Georgsmarienhütte and Gröditzter  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

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Commission investigates aid to IVECO  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

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Commission approves State aid to Lenzing Lyocell, Austria  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

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Commission clears Pirelli's acquisition of BICC's power cables plants  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

### Consumer Issues

**Regulatory Impact Assessment 11.07.2000**

The Consumer Credit (Advertisements and Contents of Quotations) (Amendment) Regulations 2000  
 Keith Evans, CA2d DTI, 1 Victoria Street, London SW1A 0ET Tel: 020 7215 0345

### Energy

**Green Paper 05.07.2000**

Proposals to help Small Generators and Suppliers—Consultation Paper. Copies from DTI, 1 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0ET. Tel: 020 7215 5000  
 Comments by 28 July 2000

**Green Paper 05.07.2000**

Changes to the limits for exemptions from the need to hold a Supply License—Consultation Paper. Copies from DTI, 1 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0ET Tel: 020 7215 5000

Comments by 31 August 2000

### Enterprise

**\*Press Release 19.07.2000**

DfEE—Blunkett Praises Innovation Young Enterprise Awards  
<http://213.38.88.195/coi/coipress.nsf>

### Finance & Banking

**\*Press Release 19.07.2000**

Financial Services Authority—Scott Lang & Company Limited—PIA Press Notice  
<http://213.38.88.195/coi/coipress.nsf>

**Green Paper 04.07.2000**

Draft rules for the single Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Copies from Financial Services Authority. Tel: 020 7676 3298, Website: <http://www.fsa.gov.uk>  
 No date for comments

### Fuel

**\*Press Release 19.07.2000**

DTI—Brigantine's Trident Conquers North Sea Challenge  
<http://213.38.88.195/coi/coipress.nsf>

**Website News 13.07.2000**

The Office of Fair Trading has reported on its petrol and diesel inquiry in Highlands and Islands of Scotland. See:  
<http://www.offt.gov.uk/html/rsearch/reports/oft305.htm>

### Public

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DETR—Independent Awards Highlight Excellent Public Services  
<http://213.38.88.195/coi/coipress.nsf>

### Taxation

**Website News 17.07.2000**

The Inland Revenue has added:  
 Recruitment: Revenue Executives and Revenue Officers—Nottingham—closing date 3 August 2000 See  
<http://www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/recruitment/index.htm>  
 and Statutory Instruments: 1871 TAXES The Stamp Duty Reserve Tax (UK Depository Interests in Foreign Securities) (Amendment) Regulations 2000. See  
<http://www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/si/index.htm>

**Website News 13.07.2000**

The Inland Revenue has added 2 Codes of Practice, and details of Business Support Teams. See:  
<http://www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/leaflets/c11.htm>  
<http://www.inlandrevenue.gov.uk/menus/employers.htm>

### Telecommunications

**\*European Press Release 19.07.2000**

Television quotas: European channels fulfil their obligations  
<http://www.europa.eu.int/rapid/start/>

**Green Paper 03.07.2000**

Draft direction on maintaining competition in the mobile market—OFTEL Consultation Paper. Copies from OFTEL.  
 Website: <http://www.oftel.gov.uk/competition/btce/799.htm>  
 Comments by 31 July 2000

### Trade

**Website News 14.07.2000**

Director General of Fair Trading, John Bridgeman, welcomes the appointment of Professor John Vickers as his successor. See  
<http://www.offt.gov.uk/html/rsearch/press-no/pn29-00.htm>