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C-SPAN VISITS EUROPE FOR LIVE COVERAGE OF HISTORIC CHANGES

Focus on European Parliament, Europe 1992 and German Elections

Washington, D.C., March 23 -- C-SPAN will air live programs from France and Germany in April as the network looks at Western Europe's development into a single economy and the issue of German reunification.

The special network programming begins April 3, 4 and 5 from the European Parliament in Strasbourg, France. The 518-member legislative body is considering final steps to merge the EC's 12 member-nations into one economy by 1992.

Live Viewer Call-ins featuring journalists and EC officials will air daily from 8:00 - 9:30am ET, said C-SPAN Programming Director Terry Murphy. Highlights of the week's coverage of the European Parliament will air Saturday, April 8, at 1pm ET, Murphy added.

On April 11, 12 and 13, C-SPAN will telecast live programs from Berlin, West Germany, daily from 8am - 9:30am ET. Berlin highlights will air Saturday, April 15, at 1pm ET.

Featured Berlin coverage will include call-in programs, person-on-the-street interviews, and discussions with journalists and government officials about German reunification and its impact on other countries. Germany's national elections this spring will also be a focus of discussion.

"As a public affairs network, C-SPAN looks for the long-term impact of important events," Murphy said. "Now that the world has seen the German people dancing in the streets and smashing the Berlin Wall with hammers on television news, we want to examine the effects these developments will have in Eastern and Western Europe."

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Live Telecasts Explore Political, Economic Changes

Washington, D.C., March 30 -- C-SPAN's special look at the changes in Germany will feature three days of live programming from Berlin beginning **Wednesday, April 11, at 8:00am ET.**

East Germany's political and economic reform, German reunification, and the national elections will be among the issues discussed during C-SPAN's live Viewer Call-ins and interviews with German politicians and journalists from Berlin's Europa Center.

C-SPAN will also interview German citizens for their thoughts on the rapid changes taking place.

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8:00am - 8:30am ET	LIVE	Viewer Call-in: Werner Kohloff, spokesman, West Berlin Senat, the city government of West Berlin
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8:00 - 8:45am ET	LIVE	Viewer Call-in: John Vinocur, executive editor, <i>International Herald Tribune</i>
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1:00pm ET		Berlin coverage highlights
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