

friends in the good works they may undertake, and to which they give their wholehearted support and contribute their money. We will not go it alone.

Mr. Secretary, what are the minimum requirements for a common market?

Secretary RUSK. I would think, sir, the reduction of tariffs among the members of the common market, possibly with a common external tariff in sectors of the economy where those are required, and the development of the physical facilities of trade and commerce among the members of the Common Market. Those would be the most elementary aspects of a Common Market, I would suppose.

Mr. O'HARA. What would you say is the shortest time within which we might reasonably expect these conditions to be met if everything works favorably?

Secretary RUSK. The Latin American countries undertook in the Foreign Ministers meeting to pursue a policy now of not increasing obstacles, and to move promptly toward gradual reduction of tariffs among themselves.

The decade of the 1970's has been designated as the decade for integration. The more formal steps are likely to be worked out between now and 1970, and those steps are expected to be completed by 1980.

Mr. O'HARA. Well, Mr. Secretary, when you were being interrogated and to a certain extent lectured by my distinguished colleague from New Jersey, I was reminded that his great grandfather was Secretary of State occupying the position that you so well honor now, and some of his remarks I thought went back to that period.

Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

Chairman MORGAN. Mr. Gross.

Mr. Gross. Mr. Chairman, I hope the Secretary doesn't have a luncheon engagement and, if he does, I hope he will come back tomorrow, because I have a number of questions, and I am sure I can't get them asked and answered in 5 minutes.

Where was this resolution prepared—in the State Department, Mr. Secretary?

Secretary RUSK. It was prepared in the State Department with the assistance of the Treasury and other agencies, but also was modified in the course of consultation with people in the Congress.

Mr. Gross. When was the date for the Punta del Este meeting set?

Secretary RUSK. It was recommended to the Presidents by the Foreign Ministers at the recent meeting in Buenos Aires which closed approximately 2½–3 weeks ago.

Mr. Gross. And only yesterday it was determined the President would send up a message and that we would get a resolution overnight?

Secretary RUSK. There has been considerable consultation with Members of the House and the Senate and, as you know, a meeting of the leadership in the White House last week. All of these things had to do with how we would proceed and whether we would proceed with a resolution and, if so, what type.

Mr. Gross. Mr. Secretary, I resent trying to jamb this sort of thing down our throats on an almost overnight basis; I don't like it at all.

I thoroughly agree with the gentleman from New Jersey, Mr. Frey-linghuysen. You can slice as thick or as thin as you like—this reso-