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ETHICS SYLLABUS

(Non-confessional)

The question of whether the ethics syllabus should be revised was brought up at the meeting of the Teaching Committee on 20 October 1976.

The Board of Inspectors approved a proposal to set up a Working Party to draft a new text. Mr POLLENTIER was to chair the Working Party.

Immediately after this decision, Mr POLLENTIER and five colleagues made a start and the text was finished on 7 July 1977. It was sent to the translation departments of the European Communities and the translations were ready by 28 September.

Meanwhile, as decided on 20 October 1976, a Working Party had been formed made up of Mrs NONBOE, Mrs CHAMBERLIN with Mr MITTLER, Mr SARDO, Mr WILLOT and Mr POLLENTIER.

This group, together with Mr MATTHIJS, the Inspector for non-confessional ethics in Belgium, made a thorough appraisal of the text on 9 and 25 November and 14 December 1977, when the definitive version was adopted.

This is the version which is to be submitted to the Teaching Committee for approval on 28 February 1978.

If it is endorsed, the proposal can be approved at the Board of Governors meeting on 9 and 10 May 1978 and made effective in all the European Schools from the 1978/79 school year.

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