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NORWAY APPLIES FOR EC MEMBERSHIP

The Norwegian Prime Minister, Mrs. Gro Harlem Brundtland, on Wednesday handed over Norway's application for membership of the European Communities, EC, in a meeting in London with the British Prime Minister, Mr. John Major.

Mrs. Brundtland also met with the present president of the EC Council of Ministers, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Douglas Hurd.

The full text of Norway's application reads as follows: "The Norwegian Government hereby has the honour to apply for membership of the European Communities and to inform you that Norway is prepared to enter into negotiations on the conditions for membership.

Yours sincerely, Gro Harlem Brundtland".