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Further information about the
candidature of the Town of
HAARLEM (Netherlands)

CANDIDATURE OF THE TOWN OF
HAARLEM FOR THE EUROPE PRIZE

In accordance with Article 5 of the Regulations and Further Provisions of the Council of Europe, we again wish to submit our candidature for the Europe Prize.

Question Three

Summary of relevant events held in 1964
and in preparation for 1965

The proposal to pair with Angers in France, which was announced last year, has now become reality. Since 1964 the Town of Haarlem has also been paired with Osnabrück in Germany.

Summary of 1964 events

17th - 26th April	Exhibition of photographs of Haarlem and Osnabrück at the "Vishal" Cultural Centre, Haarlem.
31st January - 16th February	Exhibition at Osnabrück of photographs of Haarlem and Osnabrück, attended by official representatives.
11th - 12th April	Meeting at Osnabrück of gymnastic clubs of Haarlem and Osnabrück.
11th - 12th April	Visit to Haarlem of the Bach Choral Union and concert given in the church Grote Kerk, St. Bavo.
26th - 27th and 29th April	Visit to Haarlem of a delegation of the graphic industrial association of Osnabrück and tour of graphic firms.
29th April	Opening of the photographic exhibition "Holland" in the presence of an official delegation from Osnabrück.
17th - 18th May	Visit to Haarlem of Protestant youth societies of Osnabrück.

21st - 24th May	Visit of a delegation of the International Police Association to Osnabrück.
23rd May	Visit to Haarlem of the Workers' Choral Union of the "Karmann" automobile firm, Osnabrück.
23rd May	Visit to Osnabrück of the Reformed Church Youth Society of Haarlem
27th May - 4th June	Visit to College Mendel, Haarlem, of a class from the "Carolinum" grammar school, Osnabrück.
30th - 31st May	Visit to Haarlem of the Osnabrück Citizens' League (Bürgerverein, founded in 1880) - 120 participants.
10th July	Visit to Haarlem of the Osnabrück Housing Commission.
6th - 8th August	Visit to Osnabrück of 140 members of the Haarlem brass band company, with participation of members of the reserve police.
3rd September	French Week at Osnabrück. The pairing was inaugurated on this occasion.
25th - 26th November	Talks between representatives of Osnabrück, Angers and Haarlem for developing exchanges between organisations of the three paired towns.
23rd - 25th April	Visit to Haarlem of Osnabrück youth representatives.
20th - 25th April	Participation of the Haarlem cyclist club "De Kampioen" in the Tour d'Anjou at Angers and surroundings.

In preparation

1st and 2nd May	Meeting of 70 members of the Osnabrück gunsmiths corporation with members of similar societies at Haarlem.
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5th June	Meeting at Haarlem of representatives of Protestant organisations of Osnabrück and Haarlem (about 150 participants).
11th - 13th June	Conference between youth leaders of the three paired towns at the Haarlem Cultural Centre at Epe.
June	Cycle race at Haarlem, with participation of members of Angers and Osnabrück clubs
23rd July	Visit of Mr. J. Turc, Mayor of Angers, to Haarlem, followed by a visit to Angers of Mr. D. J. A. Geluk, Deputy Mayor of Haarlem, and Mr. S. Elte, member of the Pairing Committee, on 31st July 1964.
17th July - 1st August	Camp for monitors at Osnabrück with participants from the three paired towns.
8th August	Festival of gunsmiths corporations (Schützenfest) at Osnabrück, with assistance of the Haarlem brass band company and participation of the Haarlem society "De Vrijheid."
During the summer	Exchange of trade union members; week's stay at Osnabrück followed by a week at Haarlem.
September	Visit of a class from the Carolinum grammar school, Osnabrück, to Mendel College, Catholic school of higher learning at Haarlem.
September	A class from a Haarlem school of higher learning will visit a similar school at Angers.
End of summer	Meeting between Haarlem football club "Dio" and similar Osnabrück clubs.
October 1965	Celebration of Festival of Europe at Osnabrück, with participation of youth orchestra (some 120 members) and Haarlem youth societies.

Question FourSALZBURG

As we announced last year, cultural contacts have been organised with Salzburg on a reciprocal basis. Thus Haarlem was represented at Salzburg during the Haarlem-Salzburg Cultural Days held from 29th September to 6th October, 1964.

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| 29th September -
25th October | Exhibition of the works of the painter Herman Kruyder at the "Museumspavillon". |
| 30th September | Performance of the Netherlands film "Fanfare" and the documentary film "Frans Hals". There were several special performances for school-children. |
| 1st and 2nd October | Concerts given by Albert de Klerk, municipal organist of Haarlem, at the Kajetanerkirche and the Stiftskirche St. Peter. |
| 5th October | Showing of Netherlands documentary films, followed by special performances for school-children. |
| 6th October | Concert by the Mozart Orchestra conducted by Henri Arends, conductor of the Haarlem "Noordhollands Philharmonisch Orkest", with a performance by the Haarlem pianist Sas Bunge. Among the items on the programme was a concerto for piano by the composer Hans Henkemans. |
- Concerts were also given by Arie Peters, bell-ringer of the Town of Haarlem, on a mobile carillon at several places in Salzburg.
- At the "Non-Stop-Kino" cinema, showing of Netherlands cultural films. During the Haarlem Days, flower-girls offered flowers from their town to the citizens of Salzburg.
- See attached programme.

Questions Eight and Nine

The Town of Haarlem continued to work actively for spreading the idea of European unity.

These activities became even more intense in 1965 and further events took place.

- 1st March Forum on Europe, with assistance of five representatives of Netherlands political parties. This forum was a big success thanks to the collaboration of the five Members of Parliament. Over a hundred young people interested in European affairs participated, mainly university students.
- 5th March Party organised by the European Movement (Haarlem branch) with the assistance of the competent Committee. Speech by Mr. D. Westerterp, Netherlands Member of Parliament. Over 100 persons were present.
- 6th March Ceremony in the market-place (Grote Markt), followed by film shows at two cinemas. This was the fifth time the ceremony has been held; it was attended by secondary school pupils as in 1964 and previously.
- 6th March Speeches given in two secondary schools by Mr. A. Mozer, Head of Private Office of Dr. E. L. Mansholt, Vice-Chairman of the European Commission at Brussels, and Prof. Dr. B. M. H. Vlekke, Professor at Leyden University.
- These two speeches were heard by over a thousand university students. They expressed keen interest in the speeches, which were followed by lively discussions.
- 6th March European Market held in the "Concertgebouw"; this was the third time the Market has been organised. This year there were stalls devoted to the following capitals: Brussels, Copenhagen, London, Amsterdam, Vienna, Athens, Berne, Paris. We are sending you the programme under separate cover. A speech was delivered by Mr. A. Mozer.

In addition:

There are two special schemes concerning Europe. Firstly, a scheme for primary school pupils. Out of a total of 90 schools, 60 have already taken part with spectacular success.

A second scheme for technical and secondary schools is now in preparation.

The purpose* of these schemes, whose costs are rather high, is that teachers should, during lessons, describe the geography and history of member countries of the Council of Europe.