

## The European Official Language

The European Commission has just announced an agreement whereby English will be the official language of the EU rather than German, which was the other possibility.

As part of the negotiations, Her Majesty's Government conceded that English spelling had some room for improvement and has accepted a 5 year phase-in plan that would be known as "EuroEnglish":

In the first year, "s" will replace the soft "c".. Certainly, this will make the sivil servants jump with joy.

The hard "c" will be dropped in favor of the "k". This should klear up konfuzion and keyboards kan have one less letter.

There will be growing publik enthusiasm in the sekond year, when the troublesome "ph" will be replased with the "f". This will make words like "fotograf" 20% shorter.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, publik akseptanse of the new spelling kan be expekted to reakh the stage where more komplikated kanges are possible. Governments will enkourage the removal of double letters which have always ben a deterrent to akurate speling. Also al wil agre that the horrible mes of the silent "e""s" in the language is disgraceful, and they should go away.

By the 4<sup>th</sup> year, peopl wil be reseptiv to steps sukh as replasing "th" with "z" and w with "v".

During ze fifz year, ze unesesary "o" kan be dropd from vords kontaning "ou" and similar changes vud of kors be aplid to ozer kombinations of leters.

After zis fifz yer, ve vil hav a reli sensibl riten styl.

Zer vil be no mor trubls or difikultis and evrivun vil find it ezi tu understand ech ozer.

**ZE DREM VIL FINALI KUM TRU !!!!**