

IN MEMORIAM

Kenneth Royston Simmonds

Professor Kenneth R. Simmonds died on 29 April 1995, aged sixty seven.

Kenneth Simmonds was an Editor of the *Common Market Law Review* for twenty-four years, from 1967 to 1991; he then joined the Advisory Board of the Review, of which he remained a member until his death. He was associated with the Review almost from its beginning in 1963, and few people have contributed as much to it as he did. He was an incisive editor, with great flair, always willing to publish original articles which went beyond prevailing orthodoxy. He had an acute, analytical and critical mind, and real intellectual distinction.

Kenneth had a most distinguished career; for two decades he was Professor of International Law at the University of London, at Queen Mary and Westfield College, where he was also Dean. He was Director and subsequently Honorary Director of the British Institute of International and Comparative Law. He was a point of reference for foreign visitors to London, students and academics alike. Both the French and German Governments honoured him in recognition of his international activities. He taught as a Visiting Professor at some of the leading Law Schools internationally, and lectured at the Hague Academy of International Law in 1989. He was one of the earliest British scholars to embrace the new subject of European Community law, and achieved distinction in this area, adding to his outstanding reputation for his work in the field of public international law. We are happy that the next issue of the Review contains a contribution by him.

We would also like to remember not just the great scholar but also the man we knew for many years. He brought warmth and humour to our meetings as well as his scholarly authority. He was a fund of anec-

dotes. An inveterate traveller due to his obligations in the field of international arbitration and his other scholarly activities, he would often arrive at our meetings from different far-flung destinations, and depart for still others, amazing us by his range of activities and his unceasing energy. Because of his hectic schedule, our meetings were occasionally held in somewhat unorthodox circumstances (an editorial meeting in a London cab springs to mind). English to the core, at the same time he was profoundly European and internationally-minded. At our meetings, with colleagues of different nationalities, he was totally at home, and his gift for friendship forged abiding links. He infected all those who met him and worked with him closely, as we did, with his enthusiasm, his human qualities and his evident sheer pleasure in working immensely hard at the summit of a profession which he obviously loved. He had a zest for life and for his work.

We always felt that of his many activities, the Common Market Law Review was particularly dear to him. As the Editorial Board has changed in its composition over the past few years, inevitably some of us knew him better than others, but all the Editors join us in extending our deepest sympathy to his wife Gloria and his family. We shall miss him greatly.

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