



Letter to the Editor

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Stance on steel was out of date in 1951

From Mr Simon Moore.

Sir, Perhaps Ernest-Antoine Seilliere of Unice ("Mittal bid shows need for 'strong EU role' ", February 6) needs a reminder of the European Union's history. The whole purpose of the European Coal and Steel Community, which lies at the EU's founding, is that by facilitating international ownership of strategic resources, such as steel, conflict would be less likely to occur.

The EU ought to be promoting further global integration of these markets, not advocating a protectionist stance that would have been outdated in 1951, let alone 2006.

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