

## Chapter 13

### Heads Fall

An indicator of the time remaining is in the details.  
Watch the evolving Beast out of the Sea.

By watching the beast out of the sea (European Economic Area), it is possible to approximate how much time remains before Antichrist takes control of Europe. This Roman beast began with eighteen nations, with seven heads and ten horns. Then just as a caterpillar undergoes a change to become a butterfly, this beast is undergoing transformation to become the ultimate final Roman Empire, ready for the reign of Antichrist. (Revelation 17:10-13)

At the formation of the European Economic Area, the ten horns on the beast were the ten nations of the European Community that gave its authority to govern, its sovereignty, to the Roman beast. (Revelation 17:12, 13) The six EFTA charter member nations did not initially forfeit self-rule by signing the Treaty of Rome; each of these nations retained its right to self-govern. Accordingly, the European Free Trade Association nations became heads on the newborn European Economic Area beast. Scripture also notes that the beast has a body; a woman *sits* on the beast: *I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast.*” (Revelation 17:3)

Each *head* of the *beast* represented a sovereign nation with a meaningful head of state, such as a prime minister, upon the birth of the European Economic Area. A *horn* nation was a completely sovereign nation—but each one relinquished its sovereignty and *authority* in favor of being governed by the beast. Therefore, each horn on the beast represents a superseded nation.

The transfer of governmental power for these *ten* nations to the beast occurs during the watch of *ten* leaders, called *kings*. The following verses describe this transfer of authority: *The ten horns you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but who for one hour will receive authority as kings along with the beast. They have one purpose and will give their power and authority to the beast.* (Revelation 17:12-13)

In other words, the *ten horns* were *ten* leaders over *ten* European nations, who turned over their national *authority* to the European Community. Today, these ten nations lack a completely autonomous *head* of state. The *ten horns* were the twelve nations of the European Community—minus two nations. The two subtracted nations are the body (Italy), and leading head (Germany) of the beast.

In contrast to the ten horns, each of the seven *heads* on the beast was a nation that initially retained self-government. The seven “*head*” nations were Germany plus the six European Free Trade Association nations. However, these heads will capitulate to the primary European government prior to the ascension of the Antichrist to power. Governments of once-sovereign nations give their governing authority to the central European government—which is the beast.

There is strong historical precedent that identifies Germany as the primary head of the beast. Between 800 and 1800 AD, the title for the ruler of the Holy Roman Empire was “King of Germany.” During World War I, Germany went without a significant ally while attempting to conquer Europe. World War II events reunited the beast’s body (Rome/Italy) with its primary head (Germany) as allies.

In summary, the European Economic Area confederation has a primary *head* (Germany) and body (Rome, Italy); both were obtained from the European Community. In forming the European Economic Area, the six European Free Trade Association nations did not initially forfeit its national sovereignty, and therefore appeared as six heads on the beast, alongside Germany. The ten other European Community nations formed the ten horns of the beast. The geopolitical totals for the European Economic Area—one body, ten horns, and seven heads—match what was foretold in prophecy. (Revelation 13:1)

## *The Fatal Wound*

There was a *fatal wound*, a splitting in half of one head, of the beast. *One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed.* (see Revelation 13:3) The wounded head was Germany, which was split in half immediately after World War II. It became two separate nations, West Germany (Federal Republic of Germany) and East Germany (German Democratic Republic).

A head broken in half is normally becomes a *fatal wound*. However, this wound was *healed* as the Berlin Wall came down. Reunification occurred with little advance notice, what seemed like overnight Germany was *healed* as a nation on November 9, 1989. The Soviet Union released East Germany, and Germany became a nation once again.

Only *one of the heads of the beast* had been fatally wounded; one of the seven heads. Therefore, this fatal wound cannot refer to a man, as a man cannot have seven heads.

## *Falling Heads*

European Economic Area leaders turn national governments over to a modern Roman Empire—so that Antichrist will ultimately rule these nations. Other nations join as the Roman beast moves to consume the entire earth. Scripture depicts this capitulation of additional governments to the beast as heads that are fallen. The kings are heads of nations. Heads fall so that ultimately just one person, Antichrist, rules Europe.

**SEVEN HEADS.** Seven nations retained decision-making authority—the right to self-govern—during the birth of the European Economic Area. These nations retained their ability to think for themselves; each such nation is a “head.”

**TEN HORNS.** Nations entered the European Economic Area as centers of powers. These nations forfeited ultimate sovereignty and authority to the Roman beast. Each gave up its right, ability, and authority to fully rule and reason. As only a center of power, each such nation is depicted as a “horn.”

**ONE BODY.** The body of this beast is an implied anatomical part – it is where Babylon sits. The *seven hills* further describe the body of the beast.

This beast's seven heads correspond to the Seven Hills of Rome (Revelation 17:9), but also to seven kings—which are leaders of seven nations. *They are also seven kings. Five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; but when he does come, he must remain for a little while.* (Revelation 17:10) At a specific point-in-time, the following will describe the seven head-nations. Five of the seven governments (kings, heads) will have fallen. In other words, five charter European Economic Area nations will turn over its authority to self-govern to the central European government following admission.

This change is already underway; three of the beast's heads became full members of the European Community (European Union) in 1995, as its membership grew from twelve to fifteen members. The three heads that have already fallen are Austria, Finland, and Sweden. Two more European Free Trade Association nations that were charter members of the European Economic Area will one day abandon the European Free Trade Association to join the European Community/European Union. Only three charter nations meet that criterion: Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein.

Tracking the political movement of these three EFTA nations in relation to European Community/European Union membership serves to monitor for the approaching point-in-time when five heads will have fallen. For Iceland and Norway, fishing rights are a critical sovereignty issue, particularly Iceland. Norway also has substantial oil and gas reserves that increase national sentiment to retain sovereignty. Norway enjoys one of the highest per-capita incomes in the world. Should these natural resource issues be resolved, possibly both nations would join. Their membership would immediately change the nature of the beast from three to five fallen heads.(1,2)

This same verse also describes what must happen after these five heads have fallen: *one (king) is, the other (king) has not yet come; but when he does come, he must remain for a little while.* In other words, one (of the remaining kings) is still in power, and the other (one last king to rule in Europe before the Antichrist) is yet to come; and even when he does come into power, he must remain in power for a little while before Antichrist. Accordingly, it is reasonable to assume this seventh king will rule for several years.

Antichrist will rule after the preceding seven kings have lost authority. Antichrist is the eighth and final ruler. *The beast who once was, and now is not, is an eighth king. He belongs to the seven and is going to his destruction.* (Revelation 17:11)

**TABLE 13:1: THE ROMAN BEAST MORPHS**

	Active Heads	Fallen Heads	Horns	Body	Total Nations	Situation
<b>European Economic Community</b>	Started with six nations— First in the 6 + 6 + 6 = 18 nation group				6	6 + 6 + 6
<b>European Community</b>	1	0	10	1	12	10 horns formed
<b>European Economic Area</b>	7	0	10	1	18	7 + 10 + 1
<b>Expanded European Community</b> <b>European Union</b>	4	3	10	1	18 +	Additional European Union members ... as heads begin to fall
<b>FUTURE EVENTS (Revelation 17:10, 11)</b>						
<b>Expanded European Community</b> <b>European Union</b>	2	5	10	1	18 +	Five heads are fallen (Rev 17:10)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Of these two final active heads, <i>one</i> is the final ruler of that nation.</li> <li>The seventh and last ruler of Europe to fall, called <i>the other</i> still <i>has not yet come; but when he does come, he must remain for a little while.</i></li> <li>There will be a sole ruler in Europe—and that person is to rule for a period of time—will <i>remain</i> in power for <i>a little while.</i></li> </ul>					Six heads have fallen – with one sole king left in Europe.
<b>Antichrist Rules Europe</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finally, the seventh head is made subordinate to the <i>eighth king</i> – Antichrist.</li> <li>Antichrist is the <i>eighth king.</i></li> </ul>					All seven heads fall under Antichrist
	0	7	10	1	18 +	

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