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ORAL QUESTION (0-25/82)

with debate, pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure  
by Mrs PRUVOT, Mr BERKHOUWER, Mr IRMER, Mr GEURTSSEN and  
Mr BEYER DE RYKE

to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: Clarification of the Commission's point of view  
on nationalizations

Whereas the Commission has repeatedly affirmed that the principle of the nationalization of the main industrial groups and the virtual entirety of the banking sector in France was not contrary to Community rules;

Whereas the Commission has not so far defined clearly its attitude to undertakings affected by nationalizations;

1. Does not the Commission consider that competition is likely to be seriously affected by the existence of undertakings enjoying more advantageous financial conditions and thereby escaping the provisions of Articles 85 and 86 as also Article 92 of the Treaty of Rome?
2. In addition, what is the nature of the sanctions envisaged against undertakings deemed to be abusing a dominant position?