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ORAL QUESTION

with debate pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure
by Mr BROK on behalf of the Group of the European People's
Party (Christian-Democratic Group)

to the Council of the European Communities

Subject: Youth unemployment

At its April part-session the European Parliament following a debate on urgent and topical matters, adopted a resolution on youth unemployment, calling for the introduction of a global strategy of long and medium-term measures to resolve the problems.

On 27 May, the Council of Ministers for Social Affairs, at its 774th meeting, adopted a resolution on Community action to combat unemployment.

1. Does the Council intend to take action on the priority measures called for in the above resolution and what instruments will it use?
2. Does the Council consider the resolution it adopted to be adequate and the projected measures to be politically feasible in the short term? What specific projects does it have to tackle the present situation of youth unemployment?
3. In the light of the priority which should be given to

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tackling youth unemployment, how can the Council justify the decision taken by the Council of Education Ministers on 24 May 1982 to reduce to 25 the 30 pilot projects on the transition from school to employment proposed by the Education Committee? How does it explain the fact that financial support for this smaller number of projects is guaranteed only in the short term but not in the long term?

4. Does the Council not consider that it would be useful to establish regular arrangements, on a monthly or bi-monthly basis, for the coordination of the measures taken by the individual Member States and the Community institutions to create new jobs, especially for young people?
5. Does the Council not consider that this would also assist the coordination of all the measures taken to combat unemployment and make people more aware of the existence of the Community institutions?