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ORAL QUESTION (0-87/78)

with debate, pursuant to Rule 47 of the  
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by Mr DESCHAMPS, Mr PISONI, Mr GRANELLI, Mr BERTRAND,  
Mr WAWRZIK, Mr NEY and Mr VANDEWIELE

to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: Community policy on the family

At a meeting held in Brussels on 2 October 1978 to mark the tenth anniversary of the founding of COFACE - the Committee of Family Organizations in the European Communities - the spokesmen of family organizations from the nine Member States reaffirmed their unshakable determination to help to build a citizens' Europe extending far beyond a community for traders and markets, and their desire to see that in the various Community policies due weight is given to the social and family aspects of the many economic problems involved.

What practical conclusions has the Commission drawn from the meeting of 2 October 1978 - at which it was

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represented by Mr BURKE - as far as its action programmes and the organization of its services are concerned, given the need to harmonize the Member States' policies on the family and to promote new policies at European level?

Does it intend to see that the representatives of the organizations in question are given a greater say in the shaping of the various Community policies which directly or indirectly concern them?