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with debate, pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules  
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Democrats

to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject : Regional effects of the Community's  
steel policy

1. What effects is the steel crisis having on the  
less developed regions of the Community?
2. In formulating its policy on steel what steps  
has the Commission taken to ensure that its  
regional policy is not adversely affected?
3. In the present situation of over-capacity in  
steel production in the Community, does the  
Commission consider that the necessary European  
restructuring should not operate against the  
less-developed steel producing regions where  
alternative employment prospects are negligible  
and steel production forms the basis of future

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industrial development?

4. In particular, does the Commission accept that where a steel industry has important regional implications but at the same time represents a minimal proportion of total Community production, a reasonable measure of development could be encouraged?