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QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

1. Question by Mr GLINNE (H 109/75)

Subject: Commemoration of the capitulation of the Third Reich

What are the Council's feelings about the proposal made by the President of the French Republic to the nine Member States of the Community that they should in future abolish official ceremonies commemorating the capitulation of the Third Reich on 8 May 1945?

2. Question by Mrs BOOTHROYD (H 117/75)

Subject : Annual review of farm prices

What measures are taken by the Council during their discussions on the annual review of farm prices to protect the interests of consumers ?

3. Question by Mr BROEKSZ (H 118/75)

Subject: Commission proposals

Has the Council taken note of the list of more than two hundred Commission proposals on which the European Parliament has delivered its opinion but on which the Council has not yet reached a decision?

If so, what steps does the Council propose to take in order to remedy this state of affairs as quickly as possible?

4. Question by Mr ALBERS (H 119/75)

Subject: European social policy

What European measures, as distinct from national measures, does the Council propose to take in order to deal with unemployment in the Community?

5. Question by Mr CARPENTIER (H 120/75)

Subject: European social policy

When will the next tripartite Conference of social partners - which the Council has approved in principle - take place?

6. Question by Mr FELLERMAIER (H-137/75)

Subject: Aid programme for Portugal

When will the Council finally adopt its aid programme for Portugal?

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QUESTIONS TO THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

7. Question by Mr Ole ESPERSEN (H-138/75)

Subject: Economic aid for Portugal

Following the latest political developments in Portugal, what practical proposals will the Commission submit to the Council for economic aid for that country?

8. Question by Mr SPICER (H-96/75)

Subject: Dumping of Rubbish Overboard

What are the Commission doing to stop the continued dumping overboard of rubbish from Belgian, British and French cross-channel ferries?

9. Question by Mr CORRIE (H-98/75)

Subject : Position of independent airlines within the Community

What is the Commission doing to ensure that independent airlines which can provide services between parts of the Community not previously linked directly (for example, Scotland and the Continent) do not suffer from subsidised competition from State Airlines using less convenient routes ?

10. Question by Mr OSBORN (H-99/75)

Subject: Steel Industries

What action is being taken to deal with the deterioration in trading conditions and employment in the steel industries?

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11. Question by Mr HOWELL (H-100/75)

Subject: Butter supplies

What quantity of butter expressed in terms of days' supply for the whole Community does the Commission consider should be held in store in order to ensure continuity of supply and at what level of supply would the provisions for social butter be withheld?

12. Question by Mr ELLIS (H 112/75)

Subject : Communication between the Commission and Local Government Authorities in the member states

Does the Commission intend to take steps towards improving lines of communication between the Commission and Local Government Authorities in the member states ?

13. Question by Mr DYKES (H 113/75)

Subject : Counter-inflation assistance to Member States

Can the Commission now make a further statement to explain what progress has been made in the Commission Study into ways of providing additional counterinflation assistance to Member States in view of the continuing steep increases in aggregate Community unemployment statistics ?

14. Question by Mr KIRK (H 115/75)

Subject : Newspaper Industry

What action can the Commission take to help the Community newspaper industry overcome its present difficulties ?

15. Question by Mr DALYELL (H 116/75)

Subject : Possibility of a voice for Scotland in Brussels

Can the Commission say whether it is studying the possibility - and, if so, on whose authority - of giving Scotland a voice in Brussels ?

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16. Question by Mr COUSTE (H 127/75)

Subject: Fourth Economic Policy Programme

In view of the uncertain economic outlook and the need to propose durable economic policies, does the Commission intend to draw up a Fourth Medium-term Economic Policy Programme for the period 1976-1980?

17. Question by Mr D'ANGELOSANTE (H 128/75)

Subject: Initiatives against the death sentences on Basque patriots

Does the Commission consider it should take immediate initiatives - and if so, what form should they take - to prevent the death sentences passed on the Basque patriots Garmendia and Otaegui from being carried out?

18. Question by Mr TERRENOIRE (H-130/75)

Subject: Measures for the textile industry

In view of the continuing crisis in the natural or man-made textile industry, in the spinning, weaving and clothing sectors, does the Commission intend to propose measures to protect these sectors against excessive foreign competition, which sometimes contravenes the rules laid down in the Treaty of Rome and the GATT agreements?

19. Question by Mr GIBBONS (H-131/75)

Subject : Price increases following devaluation of the Green Pound

Is it Commission policy to ensure that benefits in the form of price increases, following the devaluation of the Green Pound, should accrue exclusively to producers, and that these benefits of other funds earmarked for agriculture, should not be deflected or siphoned off to other people ?

20. Question by Mr NOLAN (H-132/75)

Subject : General application of the system of market organization

In order to improve the functioning and transparency of the agricultural markets, what action has the Commission taken to make realistic proposals for the general application of the system of market organization, particularly for such important sectors as sheep, horsemeat, potatoes and spirits ?

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21. Question by Mr KASPEREIT (H-133/75)

Subject: Dialogue between energy and raw material producing countries, consumer countries and poor countries

In view of the problem created by the considerable fluctuation in prices of raw materials and successive increases in the price of oil and the impoverishment of most developing countries, what steps do the Council and the Commission intend to take to bring about the resumption of the dialogue between the consumer countries, the producer countries and the poor countries, with a view to creating a new world economic balance?

22. Question by Mr NYBORG (H-134/75)

Subject: Coordination between the Regional Development Fund and the European Investment Bank

In connection with the priority given by the European Investment Bank to investments in the less privileged regions as well as in the energy sector, could the Commission tell us what coordination exists between the Regional Development Fund and the European Investment Bank?

23. Question by Mr SCOTT-HOPKINS (H-136/75)

Subject : Milk production in EEC

Why has the level of liquid milk production within the EEC for the year ended June 1975 declined in relation to that of the previous year, 1974, and has not this trend been apparent in all the countries of the EEG, and what regulations of a hygiene nature inhibit the free movement of liquid milk supplies throughout the Community ?