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QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

 Question by Mr LEENHARDT (H-79/75) Subject: Multinational companies

Why has the Council taken no action following the Commission's communication on multinational companies and what does it propose to do to remedy this state of affairs?

2. Question by Mr ANSART (H-103/75) Subject: Transfer of 'Pluton' missiles to the Federal Republic of Germany

Since

- the Potsdam agreement, signed by one of the Member States of the EEC, strongly emphasizes the need for the complete disarmament and demilitarization of Germany, and
- the 1954 London and Paris Agreements, also signed by certain Member States, expressly call on the Federal Republic of Germany to renounce the manufacture and possession of nuclear weapons,

does the Council not think that the talks which, according to the German Defence Minister, Mr Georg Leber, are at present being held by the French and West-German Governments on the installation of 'Pluton' nuclear missiles in the Federal Republic run counter to the above agreements and represent a serious threat to the continuation of the process of détente in Europe?

3. Question by Mr ADAMS (H-105/75) Subject: Member States' behaviour at the CSCE talks

Has Member States' behaviour at the CSCE talks been in accordance with the joint will of all nine Member States and the interests of the Community?

4. Question by Mr BEHRENDT (H-106/75) Subject: Frontier changes in the context of European unification

Does the Council see the possibilities of peaceful frontier changes in the context of European unification as being in any way restricted by the results of the CSCE talks? 5. Question by Mr CORTERIER (H-107/75) Subject: Advantages for Europe in the results of the CSCE

> What political and economic advantages for Europe does the Council expect from the results of the CSCE?

QUESTIONS TO THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES Question by Mr Willi MULLER (H-108/75)

Subject: Commission participation in the CSCE talks

To what extent has the Commission been involved in the CSCE talks and consultations?

7. Question by Mr BORDU (H-91/75)Subject: Inquiry into the activities of oil companies

In view of the fact that the Commission inquiry has been in progress since December 1973 and in the light of the statement made by Mr Borschette at the sitting of 16 January 1975¹ during discussion of the oral question on oil companies (Doc. 408/74), whereby he undertook 'to return to this question at the end of the first half of 1975', is the Commission now in a position to present the initial results of this inquiry?

¹Debates of the European Parliament No. 185 (January 1975), p.210

8. Question by Mr BLUMENFELD (H-92/75)

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Subject: Commission reports on economic trends and the general economic situation

To what extent are the Commission's economic analyses and prognoses based on corresponding reports and statements from the governments of the Member States and to what extent does the Commission try to formulate its own views and assessments on economic situations at a given moment, which are then published?

9. Question by Mr JOHNSTON (H~93/75) Subject : Unemployment situation in the member states

What proposals is the Commission discussing with the Council to alleviate the unemployment situation in member states of the European Communities ?

10. Question by Mr HOUGARDY (H-94/75) Subject: Quantitative restrictions on imports

Does not the Commission consider that the regulations on the advertizing of alcoholic beverages applicable in France contain measures equivalent in effect to quantitative import restrictions?

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11. Question by Mr NOE (H-95/75)
Subject : Computers

In the light of the agreement concluded between two firms, one American, the other French, on industrial cooperation in the computer field, what action does the Commission envisage in order to ensure the development of this important industry within the Community as a whole ?

12. 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 ?

Question by Mr SHAW (H-97/75)
 Subject : Postage Rates

When is it going to be possible for people in the new and old Member States to send to each other letters stamped at the domestic rate, as is already the case within the old Member States ?

14. 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 ?

15. 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 ?

16. Question by Mr HOWELL (H-100/75) Subject : Butter supplies

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What quantity of butter expressed in termes 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 ?

17. Question by Mr de la MALENE (H-101/75)
Subject: Official return of the French franc to the 'snake'

On the occasion of the official return of the French franc to the 'snake' does the Commission intend to put forward proposals aimed at strengthening the cohesion of the system and facilitating the reintegration of the other currencies by improving the balance in the snake's operational rules and a more realistic distribution of the financial burden necessary to maintain the cohesion of the interlinked currencies?

Question by Mr FELLERMAIER (H~102/75)
 Subject: EEC Commission Office in Chile

In view of the latest statements by Chile's Head of State, General PINOCHET, is the Commission finally prepared to close down its office in Santiago, Chile and move it to another South American country?

19. Question by Mr SEEFELD (H-104/75) Subject: Obstacles to passenger traffic at the internal frontiers of the European Community

Is the Commission aware that obstacles to passenger traffic still exist at the internal frontiers of the European Community, and what action does it intend to take to ensure that they are at long last eliminated?

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