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with debate, pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure
by Mr MARTENS

on behalf of the Christian-Democratic Group
to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject : Deterioration of agricultural and horticultural incomes

On a proposal from the Commission, the Council raised the target prices for agricultural products for the 1974/1975 marketing year by about 8.5% at the end of March 1974.

Following an unusually rapid rise in cost price factors on the one hand, and a disastrous slump in beef and pork prices on the other hand, income from agricultural and horticultural products will drop by 30 to 40% and fall even further behind non-agricultural sectors.

What measures does the Commission propose to counter this unforeseen and undesirable development as soon as possible?