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QUESTION TIME

QUESTIONS TO THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

1. Question by Mr HOUGARDY

Subject: Proliferation of initiatives in the energy sector

Does the Council not consider that the proliferation of initiatives in the energy sector - Community cooperation, the agency set up by the Group of Twelve, the tripartite conference to be attended by industrialized and producing countries and representatives of the Third World - is likely to retard the fixing of fair prices for oil products?

2. Question by Sir Douglas DODDS-PARKER

Subject: Relations with Canada

What instructions have now been given to the Commission to pursue urgent negotiations with Canada?

3. Question by Mr BREWIS

Subject: Company Law

In view of the need to encourage investment and economic activity in the Community, when does the Council expect to approve the Second Directive on Company Law and the Statute of the European Company?

4. Question by Kristian ALBERTSEN

Subject: Treatment of the Jewish minority in certain Arab States

Does the Council intend to raise the question of safeguarding the human rights of the Jewish minority in certain Arab States during the forthcoming negotiations with the Arab States?

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QUESTIONS TO THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

5. Question by Mr JOHNSTON

Subject: Grants for study programmes for the U.K. regions

Has the Commission received official notification from the British Government of the postponement or cancellation of the studies into industrial and regional problems in South Wales and elsewhere in the United Kingdom and if so, what stage had negotiations reached when such notification was received and what reasons, if any, were given for this action? (1)

(1) The Commission of the European Communities proposed in 1974 to enter into partnership with the British Government to carry out these studies, now there are reports that the British Government has declined to take advantage of funds earmarked by the Commission for this purpose and that these funds have now been disposed of elsewhere.

6. Question by Mr CIPOLLA

Subject: Use of sugar in wines

Does the Commission intend to submit effective and timely proposals to reduce the legal or illegal use of sugar (of which there is a shortage at present) in the production of wine, having it replaced by Community-produced strong wines for blending and stopped and concentrated musts of which it is feared surpluses are building up?

7. Question by Mr COUSTE

Subject: Delay in the adoption of the Trade Reform
Bill by the United States Congress

Can the Commission state what exactly are the difficulties that appear to be holding up the adoption of the Trade Reform Bill by the United States Congress?