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ORAL QUESTION (0-0388/90)/rev.
with debate,
pursuant to Rule 58 of the Rules of Procedure
by Mrs ROTH, Mrs TAZDAIT, Mr TARADASH, Mrs AGLIETTA and Mr MELANDRI
on behalf of the Green Group
to the Council

Subject: The Schengen Agreement

On 27 November 1990 Italy also signed the Schengen Agreement. Some time ago the European Parliament voiced its concern at the terms of the agreement which could require the exercise of powers by national forces of law and order which should surely be matters of Community competence.

Furthermore, the Commission has recently turned its attention to the immigration policies covered by the decisions taken in Schengen and acknowledged that there was no alternative to full social integration in order to solve the problem of immigration, thus qualifying the repressive nature of the Schengen policies.

- (1) How can the accession of six of the twelve Member States of the EEC to the Schengen Agreement be reconciled with the Commission's statements on the free movement of persons?
- (2) How does the Council consider the Schengen Investigatory System (SIS) can be reconciled with respect for individual freedoms? Does it not consider that the SIS has the features of a 'police service' removed from any democratic control?

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- (3) Does the Council not consider that the European Parliament should be more closely associated with the drawing up of decisions regarding the free movement of persons within the Community?
- (4) In view also of the intergovernmental nature of the Schengen Agreement, does the Council not consider that a Community policy should be drawn up with the aid of the European Parliament on the fight against drug trafficking?