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ORAL QUESTION (O-101/77)

with debate pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure by Mr VAN AERSSEN, Mrs WALZ, Mr ALBER, Mr JAHN and Mr KLEPSCH to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: Data-processing in the EEC

In the interests of a stronger EEC commitment to research and development in the data-processing sector, how does the Commission view the possibilities for decentralized data-processing, the stronger penetration of business and state monopolies, with particular regard to the impact of innovation in data-processing and telecommunications, and the tendency for users in the public sector to accept as 'de facto standards' the specifications of companies which occupy a dominant market position?