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with debate, pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure,

by Mr JAHN, Mr A. BERTRAND, Mr FRUH, Mr FUCHS, Mr LIGIOS, Mr Hans-Werner MULLER and Mr SCHYNS to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: The Community's transport policy towards the state-trading countries

In recent years transport activities between the state-trading countries and the Member States of the European Community have increased constantly, with the former threatening to assume a monopoly position in important areas of the transport market by the use of measures that distort competition.

In view of this development in the transport sector and particularly in view of the unambiguous provisions of the Treaties of Rome on the creation of a common transport policy, can the Commission still defend the absence of common rules in respect of the state-trading countries?

In the circumstances mentioned above, should not the Commission forthwith expedite work on the common transport policy, in order to anticipate any bilateral transport agreements between individual Member States of the European Communities and the state-trading countries.