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Subject: Discrimination against women at work

Is the Commission aware that in some countries of the Community there have recently been cases where employers have refused to recruit women, on the grounds of their sex, although they had all the necessary qualifications?

Is the Commission aware that women are often discriminated against during the course of their careers by being given jobs beneath their professional qualifications?

Can the Commission say what stage has been reached in the various Member States in the application of Directive No 76/207/EEC¹ on the implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women as regards access to employment, vocational training and promotion, and working conditions?

¹ OJ L 39 of 14.2.1976, p 40