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with debate pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure by Mr PAPAEFSTRATIOU, Fir CLINTON, Hr HcCARTIN, Hr BARBAGLI, Mr GEROKOSTOPOULOS, Mr KALOYANNIS and Mr PROTOPAPADAKIS

to the Council of the European Communities

Subject: Measures to assist farmers in countries facing particularly complex problems

In view of the fact that for the 1983/1984 marketing year the Commission has put forward inadequate farm price proposals representing a rise of less than 7%, the minimum rate allowed under Articles 39 et seq. of the Treaty of Rome, and that it is both necessary and fair to introduce specific measures to help farmers in countries with high rates of inflation, can the Council of Ministers say what measures it intends to take:

- a) to eradicate the wide disparities between the incomes of farmers in the various Member States;
- b) to implement specific development programmes in mountain and hill farming areas and problem areas in general and in the Mediterranean areas of the Community in particular;
- c) to bring agricultural prices in Greece into line with those in the rest of the Community at the same time as reducing or abolishing the transitional period;
- d) to grant Greek farmers certain subsidies and aids to enable them to meet the substantial rise in their production costs?

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