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with debate pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure by Mr BORDU, Mr ANSART, Mr EBERHARD, Mr PORCU and Mr SOURY to the Foreign Ministers of the nine Member States of the European Community meeting in political cooperation

Subject: Resurgence of anti-Semitism and neo-Nazism

Several Community countries are experiencing a resurgence of racist, anti-Semitic and neo-Nazi declarations and activities encouraged by the activism of small extreme right-wing groups or former Nazi war criminals and an increasingly complacent attitude to them in the mass media.

Against this background, crimes against progressive organizations and unprovoked racist assaults, even the murder of immigrant workers, are becoming more and more frequent.

Nostalgic racist gatherings, such as the 28 meetings held by former SS members in 1977, are on the increase.

1. Do the Ministers not feel they should take a clear stand against all racism and anti-Semitism and in favour of banning all neo-Nazi activities?

2. Do they not consider that in order to remove all obstacles to friendship between our peoples it is essential in these times to take a stand against any distorted image of a tragic period in the history of our countries and prevent a situation where the racist and Fascist ideas that brought Europe to the brink of ruin and caused the death of millions of people are taken for granted?

3. Do they not deem it essential to declare that there will be no time limit on the prosecuting of Nazi war crimes in all the countries of the Community and ensure that all criminals are judged and sentenced?