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

by Mr HANSEN on behalf of the Socialist Group

by Mr JAHN on behalf of the Christian-Democratic
Group (Group of the European People's Party)

by Mr PINTAT on behalf of the Liberal and
Democratic Group

by Mr SPICER on behalf of the European
Conservative Group

by Mr PORCU on behalf of the Communist and
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European Progressive Democrats

to the Council of the European Communities

Subject: Reactivation and updating of the
EEC-Turkey Association

After an interruption of more than twelve months due to the elections and change of government in Turkey at the beginning of this year, the activities of the institutions of the Association, which assume especial importance in view of the future enlargement of the Community, are now about to resume.

We therefore ask the Council:

1. Is it aware that, given Turkey's political importance to Europe, relations with that country cannot be developed satisfactorily through partial concessions by the Community in specific economic sectors?
2. Is it aware that the reluctance by the Community to take any initiatives in this matter has contributed to a certain strain - notably evident in Turkish public opinion - in EEC-Turkey relations under the Association?
3. What steps does it envisage to reactivate and update the EEC-Turkey Association so as to assure an economic development for Turkey which will allow the country to accede to the Community at a future date and prevent the erosion of Community preferences after enlargement?
4. What form will be taken by the consultation with Turkey provided for in the Treaties on the matter of the Community's future enlargement?
5. How does it propose to intensify the necessary political cooperation with Turkey?