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with debate, pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure,
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to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: The European Foundation and Youth Policy

1. At the Copenhagen summit the Heads of State or Government of the Member States took a final decision to set up a 'European Foundation'. This decision defines the legal procedure in such a way that the Foundation can begin its activities without delay.

What legal and organizational measures have been taken to give effect to the Copenhagen decision and what is the timetable for the future?

2. The Heads of State or Government intend that the Foundation's activities in Europe should be particularly directed towards young people. At the same time care must be taken to avoid duplications of effort with existing institutions already operating in this field.

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What plans are there for coordination with the European Youth Foundation and the European Youth Centre in Strasbourg, both of which have done much for youth work throughout Western Europe for over five years and also cooperate closely with those responsible for youth policy in the Community?

3. To ensure the coordination of the organization of youth work, an important aspect, the Copenhagen decision also provides for the coopting on to the Foundation's board of leading figures from other organizations active in the same field.

When may the Commission be expected to submit its proposal on this subject to the European Parliament for consideration and forwarding to the Council?