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ORAL QUESTION (O-47/83)

with debate pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: Participation of women in projects under the
European Social Fund

In its resolution of 17 May 1983 on the Commission's
proposal to the Council for a regulation to implement
the Council decision on the tasks of the European
Social Fund, the EP regrets that the resources of the
Fund have not hitherto been allocated proportionally
between men and women (see point 13 of the resolution)
and calls on the Commission,

- to ensure that within 5 years the number of women
participating in projects subsidized by the Fund is
equal to the number of participating men, so that
specific operations on behalf of women can be phased
out;
- to introduce an appropriate prior condition to this
effect for applications for Fund assistance (see
point 14 of the resolution).

1. Will the Commission ensure that, in drawing up the internal guidelines for the allocation of resources from the new Social Fund, Parliament's wishes are taken into account?

2. Will the responsible Commissioner notify the Committee of Inquiry into the Situation of Women in good time as to how he intends to use the resources of the Social Fund to attain the goal of 5 percent participation by women in the projects subsidized by the ESF?

3. What specific actions has the Commission planned for the coming five years to achieve this?