WRITTEN QUESTION P-1445/00
by Arlene McCarthy (PSE) to the Commission
(3 May 2000)

Subject: Sport and the EU Treaties

In recent years increasing numbers of sports-related cases have been brought to the attention of the European Commission. This situation is complicated by the fact that the legal framework of the European Union contains no reference to sport.

Does the Commission believe it is desirable or indeed feasible to include in the IGC a protocol or annex on sport?

What form or legal weight does the Commission believe such a protocol or annex should have?

Answer given by Mrs Reding on behalf of the Commission
(24 May 2000)

The Commission’s opinion on the Intergovernmental Conference called with a view to amending the Treaties is set out in the document entitled ‘Adapting the Institutions to make a success of enlargement’ (1).

This document does not contain any references to the possible inclusion of sport in the Treaties.


WRITTEN QUESTION E-1530/00
by Marie-Thérèse Hermange (PPE-DE) to the Commission
(12 May 2000)

Subject: Protection of families and children

In its resolution A4-0004/1999 (1) of 28 January 1999 on the protection of families and children, the European Parliament called on the Commission to disseminate best practice in the Member States as regards facilities for children, specific benefits relating to forms of care, the reintegration of elderly people into social life and making use of their abilities for the benefit of children, safety in public places and the adaptation of public transport to the needs of children.

Could the Commission state what action it has taken, or intends to take, to put this proposal into practice?

(1) OJ C 128, 7.5.1999, p. 79.

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1531/00
by Marie-Thérèse Hermange (PPE-DE) to the Commission
(12 May 2000)

Subject: Protection of families and children

In its resolution A4-0004/1999 (1) of 28 January 1999 on the protection of families and children the European Parliament recommended, in order to combat child and maternal mortality, the introduction of a European perinatal epidemiological network composed of regional perinatal surveillance units within each country and of a common European perinatal database.
Could the Commission state what action it has taken, or intends to take, to put this proposal into practice?

(1) OJ C 128, 7.5.1999, p. 79.

(2001/C 26 E/208)

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1532/00
by Marie-Thérèse Hermange (PPE-DE) to the Commission
(12 May 2000)

Subject: Protection of families and children

In its resolution A4-0004/1999 (1) of 28 January 1999 on the protection of families and children, the European Parliament called for the structure and role of the European Family Policy Observatory operating under the aegis of the Commission's directorate-general for employment and social affairs to be strengthened, for it to submit an annual report to the European Parliament and for it to continue to draw up an inventory of legislation and policies affecting children in the Member States.

Could the Commission state what action it has taken, or intends to take, to put this proposal into practice?

(1) OJ C 128, 7.5.1999, p. 79.

(2001/C 26 E/209)

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1533/00
by Marie-Thérèse Hermange (PPE-DE) to the Commission
(12 May 2000)

Subject: Protection of families and children

In its resolution A4-0004/1999 (1) of 28 January 1999 on the protection of families and children, the European Parliament proposed, in order to prevent the mistreatment and violence suffered by children, the creation of a European centre for children.

Could the Commission state what action it has taken, or intends to take, to put this proposal into practice?

(1) OJ C 128, 7.5.1999, p. 79.

(2001/C 26 E/210)

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1534/00
by Marie-Thérèse Hermange (PPE-DE) to the Commission
(12 May 2000)

Subject: Protection of families and children

In its resolution A4-0004/1999 (1) of 28 January 1999 on the protection of families and children, the European Parliament expressed support for the idea of a clearly identified unit within the Commission to deal with family affairs and child protection and called urgently for the revival of the Commission's interdepartmental group on child-related issues.

Could the Commission state what action it has taken, or intends to take, to put this proposal into practice?

(1) OJ C 128, 7.5.1999, p. 79.