

**Answer given by Mrs Cresson on behalf of the Commission***(5 March 1998)*

In 1997 the total budget allocated to Comenius (Action 2 of Chapter II of the Socrates programme) amounted to ECU 4.8 million.

Under Comenius, the Commission has financed several projects on the education of gypsy children:

- in 1997, 13 projects were financed, with total funding of ECU 1 036 000; close to 120 partners were involved in these multiannual projects;
- in 1996, 27 projects were financed, with funding amounting to ECU 1 119 625;
- in 1995, 44 projects were financed, with funding amounting to ECU 1 173 728.

Projects are submitted to the Commission by the national agencies. At the last meeting of the national agencies, the Commission drew their attention to the number of projects submitted.

Under the Youth for Europe project, the Commission has financed 11 projects concerned with young gypsies, providing funding amounting to ECU 310 000.

(98/C 196/120)

**WRITTEN QUESTION E-4143/97****by Francisco Sanz Fernández (PSE) to the Commission***(21 January 1998)*

*Subject:* Socrates programme

Will the Commission provide a breakdown by country of the centralized measures under the Socrates programme for 1997?

**Answer given by Mrs Cresson on behalf of the Commission***(25 February 1998)*

The Honourable Member is referred to the study on contributions to the Community budget, transmitted to Parliament on 14 October 1997.

(98/C 196/121)

**WRITTEN QUESTION E-4145/97****by Antoinette Spaak (ELDR) to the Commission***(21 January 1998)*

*Subject:* Transcription of Directive 94/80/EC by Member States

Would the Commission draw up a list of the Member States which have or have not transposed into their national law Council Directive 94/80/EC <sup>(1)</sup> of 19 December 1994 laying down detailed arrangements for the exercise of the right to vote and to stand as a candidate in municipal elections by citizens of the Union residing in a Member State of which they are not nationals?

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 368, 31.12.1994, p. 38.