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QUESTION 387

*put to the Council by Christine Lucyga (Germany, Socialist Group)
(Chairman of the Committee on Budgetary Affairs and Administration)
on 11 May 2005*

Following the decision to close down WEAG's functional operations and to transfer them to the European Defence Agency, concern has been expressed about the fate of WEAG's staff. What arrangements have been made in this respect and what are the reasons for not applying to the WEAG staff the social plan drawn up for the staff members of the WEU Secretariat-General in 2001?

QUESTION 388

*put to the Council by Lluís Maria de Puig (Spain, Socialist Group)
(Former President of the Assembly) and
Bart van Winsen (Netherlands, Federated Group) (Vice-President of the Assembly)
on 12 May 2005*

Protocol 24 is appended to the Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe. It consists of a sole article:

“The Union shall draw up, together with the Western European Union, arrangements for enhanced cooperation between them”.

What areas of cooperation are covered by this provision and what practical measures are envisaged by the Council to implement them?

QUESTION 389

*put to the Council by Lluís Maria de Puig (Spain, Socialist Group)
(Former President of the Assembly) and
Bart van Winsen (Netherlands, Federated Group) (Vice-President of the Assembly)
on 12 May 2005*

Article V of the modified Brussels Treaty contains a clause concerning mutual assistance among the signatory states in the case of an armed attack “in Europe”; what geographic area is referred to in this article?

¹ No replies have yet been received.

QUESTION 390

*put to the Council by Edward O'Hara (United Kingdom, Socialist Group)
(Chairman of the Technological and Aerospace Committee)
on 12 May 2005*

What precise arrangements have been concluded between WEAG and the European Defence Agency with a view to the transfer of the functions and acquis of WEAG Panels I, II and III to the Agency?

QUESTION 391

*put to the Council by Edward O'Hara (United Kingdom, Socialist Group)
(Chairman of the Technological and Aerospace Committee)
on 12 May 2005*

What decisions have been taken with regard to the future activities of WEAO following the dissolution of WEAG?

QUESTION 392

*put to the Council Edward O'Hara (United Kingdom, Socialist Group)
(Chairman of the Technological and Aerospace Committee)
on 12 May 2005*

What measures have been taken by the Council to ensure that the non-EU members of WEAG will not suffer unacceptable prejudice due to the fact that they will not be automatically involved in the activities of the European Defence Agency, but only in certain specific projects on a case-by-case basis?

