

ORAL QUESTION H-0327/01

for Question Time at the part-session in May 2001

pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure

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to the Commission

Subject:           Airfares to remote airports

With reference to Article 6 of Council Regulation (EEC) 2409/92<sup>1</sup>, will the Commission confirm that a Member State can intervene in situations in which airfares are excessively high, having regard to all relevant factors? In particular, given extremely high costs both of scheduled and of chartered flights (or of scheduled flights connecting to holiday charters) from airports in the Scottish Highlands and Islands, would there be a sufficient legal base for intervention by the Scottish Executive or the UK Government as the appropriate authority in the Member State, provided the conditions stipulated in the Regulation were fulfilled?

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 240, 24.8.1992, p. 15