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to the Council

Subject: Initiatives on the euro

The introduction of the euro has greatly reduced the purchasing power of workers in many Union countries.

In order to prevent disaffection as regards the single currency - especially in view of the no-votes against the constitutional Treaty in France and the Netherlands - does not the Council consider it appropriate to launch initiatives in all the Member States making it compulsory to mark prices in both euros and the old national currency?

Does not the Council also consider it appropriate to promote initiatives to replace the 1 and 2 euro coins with banknotes of the same face value?