

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0381/03  
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to the Commission

Subject: Enforcement of Directive on port reception facilities for ship-generated waste and cargo residues

The European Parliament and Council Directive on port reception facilities for ship-generated waste and cargo residues came into force with its publication in the Official Journal on 28 December 2000. The aim of this Directive is to reduce sea pollution caused by ship-generated waste and cargo residues through the development of availability and use of reception facilities throughout the Community.

In Article 16 of the Directive, Member States were given a period of two years in which to bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to implement the Directive. This period came to an end on 28 December 2002.

1. In which Member States of the Community have the laws, regulations and administrative provisions already been brought into force and adequate port reception facilities provided?
2. What action has the Commission taken, or will the Commission take, to ensure that the Directive is incorporated into the national law of all Member States as swiftly as possible?