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Subject: European School in Parma

Under Decree No 41 issued by the Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research on 27 July 2004, laying down provisions connected with the establishment of the EFSA offices in Parma, a European School was set up in accordance with an agreement between the Italian Government and the European Union. The school was set up in 2004 in a building owned by the municipal authorities of Parma and, in 2010, work began on the construction of a new complex, which was due to be completed by April 2012.

However, the temporary joint venture contracted to carry out the construction work ran into financial difficulties and was unable to complete the work in accordance with the provisions of the contract. Following two nine-month suspensions, and with 90 % of the work complete, there is currently no work being done on the site.

The municipal authorities of Parma have already suggested various solutions that have so far been ignored by the Italian Government.

In view of the imminent visit by European Commissioners to confirm accreditation of the school in Parma as part of the European School system, and given the very tight timescales for decision-making, does the Commission think it would be appropriate to put pressure on the Italian Government to find a solution, in order to avoid any proceedings for failure to complete the works and the consequent squandering of resources, including Community resources?