

ORAL QUESTION H-0792/00
for Question Time at the part-session in October II 2000
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Council

Subject: Safety rules and standards for passenger ships

The shipwreck of the SAMINA cost dozens of human lives. In view of this, does the Council intend to repeal Article 6(3)(g) of Directive 98/18/EC¹ on safety rules and standards for passenger ships, which gave a derogation from the safety prescriptions of the above directive to old ships in Greece?

Does the Council know whether all Greek passenger ships apart from the eight referred to in Decision 99/461/EC² had on 1 July 1999 been surveyed as provided for in Article 10(2) of the above directive, and whether they have safety certificates for 1999 and 2000 pursuant to Article 11 and Annex II of the directive?

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¹ OJ L 144, 15.5.1998, p. 1.

² OJ L 180, 15.7.1999, p. 47.