ORAL QUESTION H-0999/07 for Question Time at the part-session in January 2008 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Dimitar Stoyanov to the Commission

Subject: Implementation in Bulgaria of Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71

Under Article 22 of Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71¹, all insured persons who are unable to obtain appropriate treatment on the territory of their Member State of residence shall be authorised to travel to another Member State in order to obtain this treatment. However, the Bulgarian national sickness insurance fund is refusing to issue the requisite E112 form to Mr Maxime Vaniov Petkov, who suffers from spasmodic torticollis, despite the fact that he is unable to obtain appropriate treatment for his condition in Bulgaria. Furthermore, this is not the first time that the organisation in question is unjustifiably refusing to comply with Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71.

What pressure will the Commission bring to bear in order to end the infringements of the above regulation?

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¹ OJ L 149, 5.7.1971, p. 2.