

WRITTEN QUESTION P-1074/06
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to the Commission

Subject: Renegotiation of milk quotas

Prior to the start of the EU accession process, Poland produced approximately 18 million tonnes of milk.

During the negotiations on membership conditions held in 2002 in Copenhagen, Poland was allocated an overall milk quota of 9.3 m tonnes at a time when the country's minimum requirements stood at 12.5 m tonnes.

As a result of the excessively small milk quota production ceilings have been exceeded at farms and penalties imposed, and there is a risk that Poland will become a net importer of milk and dairy products in 2010.

Is the Commission willing to renegotiate the milk quota with Poland and remedy this unfair situation?