

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3429/00
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to the Commission

Subject: Safety at sea

Following the accident which befell the Galician vessel, the Arosa, on 3 October 2000 in the Great Sole fishing grounds off the Irish coast, in which 12 people lost their lives, does the Commission plan to introduce a programme of any kind to combat accidents at sea, be they accidents at work in the strict sense or accidents resulting in the loss of human life in a shipwreck? Will an awareness raising campaign of any kind be adopted forthwith and introduced in the short term with a view to improving the safety of workers at sea?