WRITTEN QUESTION E-0289/02 by Christoph Konrad (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Distortion of competition caused by the supplementary pension fund of the German building industry

1. How does the Commission view the disadvantageous position of the German building industry, in comparison with the rest of Europe, caused by the obligation to pay into the building industry's supplementary pension fund in Wiesbaden?

2. What is the Commission's reaction to this distortion of competition? Have there been any investigations, examinations, decisions or other deliberations as to how to rectify this discrimination against the German building industry?