

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3491/02
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to the Commission

Subject: Adapting the occupation of customs agent in response to EU enlargement

EU enlargement will lead to the abolition of customs formalities relating to trade with the new countries, which will then be part of the Union. Will the Commission say whether or not such abolition will be gradual and whether or not customs documents will continue to be issued in respect of trade with those countries, such as the T2 form for goods under the internal Community transit scheme which are transported across one of the countries concerned?

If there is to be wholesale abolition of customs formalities, is the Commission intending to submit to the Council a proposal for a regulation laying down Community flanking measures for the benefit of customs agents, including special initiatives additional to the Structural Fund measures?