

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0082/03
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to the Commission

Subject: Concessions on fruit and vegetables for Morocco

The Association Agreement between the EU and Morocco is currently under negotiation.

Is the Commission aware of the socio-economic repercussions which the new concessions on fruit and vegetables to be granted to Morocco will have on Andalusia, a region whose unemployment rate is among the highest in the EU?

If so, can the Commission provide information on those repercussions?

Has account been taken of the opinion of the Andalusian authorities and government in the negotiations on this new agreement?

If not, does the Commission believe that these bodies should have been consulted?