

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0236/03  
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to the Commission

Subject: Treatment of the outermost regions of the European Union under the mid-term reform of the CAP

The Commission has put forward a proposal originating from the Berlin European Council to implement a mid-term reform of the CAP that will amount to a minor agrarian revolution in the medium term and will impact on the various regions of the European Union.

Moreover, the agricultural POSEI programmes for the outermost regions of the European Union have recently been the subject of a review. In the light of the Commission's development strategy for these regions, and of Article 299(2) of the EC Treaty, which lays down that specific measures shall be adopted when implementing Community provisions in those regions, precisely in the context of the CAP, will the Commission apply special treatment to the outermost regions when implementing the CAP reforms and if so, what measures will it adopt?