WRITTEN QUESTION E-0853/03 by Christos Folias (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Auditors' recommendations

In its reply of 8 April 2002 to my Written Question E-0329/02¹ of 12 February 2002 concerning a letter from the Director-General of the Commission's Directorate-General for Regional Policy to the Greek authorities regarding failings in the management of the third ESF, the Commission indicated that 'in their reply of 14 November 2001 to the Commission's observations, the Greek authorities confirmed that the major part of the auditors' recommendations had been implemented'.

How is the Commission ensuring that the Greek authorities have in fact taken account of the auditors' recommendations?

From June 2001 to date, how many checks have been carried out for which programmes or initiatives? What were the findings for each programme or initiative? What were the replies from the Greek Government and what action was taken by the Commission?

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¹ OJ C 205 E, 29.8.2002, p. 117