

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1901/03  
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to the Commission

Subject:           Processed tomatoes

I have been informed that the Greek Government used national funds to support producers of processed tomatoes, in the village of Gastouni in the Ilias Prefecture, during 2001, despite the EU decision not to grant any subsidies.

Is the Commission aware of such payment of subsidies?

Did the Greek Government officially apply to the Commission for a derogation?