

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3992/03

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to the Commission

Subject: Presentation of the peer review on the Kozloduy nuclear power plant

Referring to the letter from the President of Bulgaria, Mr Parvanov, to the Council and the Commission dated 24 October 2002 requesting a safety peer review of the Kozloduy nuclear power plant's units 3 and 4, and bearing in mind that the Terms of Reference (TOR) for that review were issued to the Commission on 28 January 2003, recalling that the peer review then took place on 16 and 17 November 2003, can the Commission now confirm that no more time will be wasted in conveying the expected positive results of the review to both Council and the Bulgarian Government with a recommendation that the closure demand for the said units, now having no technical or economic justification, be withdrawn and that no pre-condition of plant closure should exist with regard to the accession of Bulgaria to the European Union?