WRITTEN QUESTION E-0864/04 by Nelly Maes (Verts/ALE) to the Commission

Subject: Linguistic diversity

With reference to my question E-2825/03¹ of 23 September 2003 and the answer of 23 October 2003 given by Mrs Reding on behalf of the Commission, I should like to put the following supplementary question.

The Copenhagen criteria cite the protection of minority languages as one aspect of a good minority policy. Will this no longer apply after accession? How do the European Union and the European Commission intend to monitor this in practice?

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