WRITTEN QUESTION E-1080/05 by Maria Berger (PSE) to the Commission

Subject: Animal health and protection - EU animal passport

Since July 2004, carrying an EU animal passport has been mandatory when travelling abroad with dogs, cats or ferrets (commercial and non-commercial movement of domestic animals) (Regulation (EC) No 998/2003<sup>1</sup>).

Are there plans to extend the EU animal passport to other species (e.g. rabbits or birds)?

If so, will those species also be subject to additional rules for travel to Ireland, Sweden and the United Kingdom?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 146, 13.6.2003, p. 1.