

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3329/07
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to the Commission

Subject: Projects in Epirus, one of the poorest regions in the EU

Mrs Hübner avoided answering most aspects of my question E-2180/07 concerning Epirus (one of the poorest regions in the EU), adding that 'no file was opened in the Commission on 2 August 2002 regarding hydroelectric works in Anilio at Ioannina'.

Has any file of complaint been opened in the Commission concerning the Anilio project at Ioannina? Were there private companies which sought to invest in the production of electricity by submitting proposals to the Greek authorities for hydroelectric projects in Epirus, whose investments were cancelled following complaints from their competitors and other quarters to the Greek authorities and the EU institutions?

Which private energy companies finally carried out the hydroelectric projects in Epirus?

Which companies declared an intention to invest in hydroelectric projects in Epirus but had their investments cancelled? For what reasons and in what way was the Commission involved in that matter?

Were any officials of Greek political parties involved in cancelling the above investments in Epirus, (e.g. through public complaints etc.) and, if so, who?

What amounts did private energy companies based in Epirus receive from the 3rd CSF and for which projects?