

WRITTEN QUESTION E-5074/07
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to the Commission

Subject: European Commission commitment to achieving universal primary education by 2015

In 2007, the Global Monitoring report from UNESCO estimated that one third of children out of school are children with disabilities. The European Commission is committed to achieving universal primary education by 2015.

Can the Commission tell us what steps are being taken to support partner countries in the ACP in including children with disabilities in school in terms of:

- promoting policy dialogue on inclusion- raising awareness of the current situation;
- acting as a policy champion for inclusion, to increase both political commitment and resources;
- supporting improved data collection in terms of children with disabilities and education;
- advocating and contributing to increased financing in this area?