WRITTEN QUESTION E-2382/08 by Michl Ebner (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Revision of Directive 93/119/EC on the protection of animals at the time of slaughter or killing

Practical experience and new scientific knowledge have shown that the Directive 93/119/EC on the protection of animals at the time of slaughter or killing should be revised.

A first meeting of the Working Group of the Advisory Group on the Food Chain and Animal and Plant Health was held on 19 December 2007.

Can the Commission confirm that it will propose a revision of Directive 93/119/EC to the Council and the Parliament in 2009 at the latest?

Could it confirm that the new piece of legislation will be a Regulation, and not a Directive?

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