WRITTEN QUESTION E-3330/08 by Neena Gill (PSE) to the Commission

Subject: Increasing participation in EP elections 2009

We are one year away from the European Parliament elections, yet there is still a relatively low level of awareness of these among the public at large, despite the efforts undertaken within the framework of Plan D for Democracy, Dialogue and Debate in recent years. Citizens still have little knowledge and information about the work of the Parliament and Commission.

Could the Commission explain what action it will be taking to ensure that the European public is informed about the importance and impact of the upcoming elections and what measures it will be deploying to encourage participation by citizens?

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