

WRITTEN QUESTION E-5283/08
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to the Commission

Subject: Commission action on the North European gas pipeline - paragraph 14 of report

Paragraph 14 of the report by Marcin Libicki on the environmental impact of the planned gas pipeline in the Baltic Sea to link up Russia and Germany (Petitions 0614/2007 and 0952/2007) (2007/2118(INI)) reads:

'14. Regrets the Commission's failure to accept the proposal contained in Parliament's resolution of 16 November 2006 concerning the preparation of objective environmental impact assessments of proposed projects by the Commission, while reiterating its call for the preparation of such an assessment by an independent body to be appointed with the approval of all the littoral states'.

Does the Commission intend to produce an assessment, as referred to in the above paragraph, and has it taken any steps to appoint an independent body to carry out the assessment?