WRITTEN QUESTION E-5289/08 by Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka (UEN) to the Council

Subject: Council action on the North European gas pipeline - paragraph 12 of resolution

Paragraph 12 of Parliament's resolution 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:

'12. Calls, therefore, on the Commission and the Council to make a full commitment to analysing the environmental impact of the construction of the North European gas pipeline, particularly in situations involving considerations which require a Commission opinion, as specified in Article 6(4) of Directive 92/43/EEC¹.

What has the Council done to date, or what does it intend to do, to satisfy Parliament's request? Will due consideration be given to the need to apply Article 6(4) of Council Directive 92/43/EEC?

¹ OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7.