

WRITTEN QUESTION E-5905/08
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to the Commission

Subject: EU Roma Summit

In October 2007, a large group of Members of the European Parliament tabled a proposal to the then Slovene Presidency of the EU to introduce a new practice in dealing with Roma issues at EU level. The proposal concerned the introduction of an annual EU conference on Roma issues which would be a platform for information exchange and explore ideas on how to deal with the issues at EU level in the future.

The European Commission followed-up the idea, which evolved into the holding of an EU Roma Summit in September in Brussels.

1. Weeks after the first EU Roma Summit, I would like to know what the outcome of the Summit was, with specific reference to the conclusions?
2. How much money was invested in organising the EU Roma Summit?
3. What is the follow-up to the EU Roma Summit?