

WRITTEN QUESTION E-6236/08  
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to the Commission

Subject: Food prices and plant protection products

There is a major concern at present over both the security and price of food. There are increasing reports of people finding it harder to balance their domestic budgets, so any increase in prices could have major impacts on the affordability of fresh food. With reference to the proposed Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (COM(2006)0388, Replacement of Council Directive 91/414/EEC<sup>1</sup>), what work has the Commission undertaken to assess the impact of this legislation on food prices within the EU, and what were the results?

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1.