

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1150/09
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to the Commission

Subject: Progress reports to be issued by the European Commission to the Council under Directive 2004/17/EC

Article 58(5) of Directive 2004/17/EC¹ requires the Commission to submit an annual report to the Council on progress made in unilateral or bilateral negotiations regarding access for Community undertakings to the markets of third countries in the fields covered by that directive, on any result which such negotiations may have achieved, and on the implementation in practice of all the agreements which have been concluded.

The European Commission has never issued these progress reports and, according to some statements, is only expected to start issuing them in 2009.

1. When does the European Commission intend to submit such reports to the Council?
2. Which countries will be concerned for 2009?

¹ OJ L 134, 30.4.2004, p. 1.