WRITTEN QUESTION E-1277/09 by Ashley Mote (NI) to the Commission

Subject: Move capital rather than people

Does the Commission not agree that the proper application of market capitalism based on free trade and the free movement of capital does not require the mass movement of workers? Indeed, vigorously applied, would it not promote the spread of wealth at a time when it is desperately needed, without a significant movement of labour?

Is not the encouragement of mass economic migration in the EU more concerned with the creation of a borderless empire, and the dilution of national identities, than with the generation of prosperity?

Is not one of the consequences of the current financial crisis and the serious economic downturn that ordinary people now understand the EU's intentions and consequences much better?

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