WRITTEN QUESTION E-2272/09 by John Bowis (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: EU Strategy on Invasive Species

On 3 December 2008 the Commission adopted a communication presenting policy options for an EU strategy on invasive species (COM (2008)0789). This is a welcome publication. It highlights the threat to new biodiversity caused by non-native species, together with the cost of the problem.

Can the Commissioner confirm what he proposes doing as the next step and whether new legislation will be introduced to help facilitate the control and management of invasive species in the EU?

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