

WRITTEN QUESTION E-2716/09  
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to the Commission

Subject: Infringement of EU legislation - R 52/A5 Brno-Vienna motorway - NATURA 2000

In May 2008 a complaint with the reference number 2008/4493, SG(2008) A/4295 concerning the infringement of EU environmental legislation in the Czech Republic, was lodged with the Commission. The complaint relates to the failure by the Czech Environment Ministry to comply with European Parliament and Council Directive 2001/42/EC<sup>1</sup> of 27 June 2001 regarding the assessment of the effects of various building projects on the environment. In particular, the complaint concerns the environmental impact of the R 52/A5 Brno-Vienna motorway and compliance with the NATURA 2000 directives. This was not specially assessed.

Have sanctions been instituted against the Czech Republic for failure to comply with Directive 2001/42/EC?

Are there plans to carry out an assessment of compliance of the R 52/A5 Brno-Vienna motorway with the NATURA 2000 directives? Should the R 52/A5 Brno-Vienna motorway not comply with the NATURA 2000 directives, what would be the consequences?

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 197, 21.7.2001, p. 30.