WRITTEN QUESTION E-3395/09 by Salvador Garriga Polledo (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Celebration of the Constitution of Cadiz of 1812

The recently formed Spanish Consortium for Commemoration of the Bicentenary of the Spanish Constitution of 1812 provides an invitation to remember and preserve the values of freedom, democracy and equality, in one of the EU Member States which has suffered most from totalitarianism and crimes against democracy, freedom and the human values upholding human dignity.

For this reason, this celebration must be seen as an opportunity to proclaim that only in a context of freedom, democracy and justice, based on the declaration of fundamental rights, can a society develop which modernises as a result of the above values for the development of the human person.

Therefore, does the commission think that the European Union should support the aforementioned Spanish celebration of the constitution of Cadiz of 1812 to reaffirm both for itself and the numerous Member States which have also been victims of the various forms of totalitarianism that have devastated Europe, that freedom, democracy and respect for human rights form the only possible path to the development of humanity within society?

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