

WRITTEN QUESTION E-4358/09  
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to the Commission

Subject:           Activities of the High Level Group of Independent Stakeholders on Administrative Burdens

A special High Level Group of Independent Stakeholders on Administrative Burdens was set up two years ago by Decision 2007/623/EC<sup>1</sup> and is chaired by Edmund Stoiber. The group has a three-year mandate, its primary task being to advise the Commission on the implementation of the Action Programme for Reducing Administrative Burdens in the European Union, the aim of which is to achieve a 25% reduction in administrative burdens on businesses arising from EU legislation by 2012.

In the Commission's view, how have the group's activities proven successful during the first two thirds of its mandate?

What specifically has the group achieved and contributed, and what else does it intend to do in the final year of its mandate?

If the group's activities have proven successful and have produced specific interim results, is the Commission considering extending the group's mandate until 2012?

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 253, 28.09.2007, p. 40.