

ORAL QUESTION H-0793/01  
for Question Time at the part-session in November 2001  
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Commission

Subject: Problems frequently encountered by citizens of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Turkey with the Bulgarian police when passing through the Republic of Bulgaria

Regrettably, I have been informed that citizens of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Turkey frequently encounter problems with the Bulgarian police when passing through the Republic of Bulgaria.

For example, people who had been robbed apparently did not receive any assistance from the security services there. On the contrary, the police are even said to have hampered the necessary steps.

In my view, these growing complaints about a country which has been granted the status of an applicant country with a view to the enlargement of the European Union are deeply regrettable.

I would therefore ask the Commission to investigate the situation.

I should also be very grateful to hear what action the Commission takes to remedy it.

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