ORAL QUESTION H-0138/02 for Question Time at the part-session in March 2002 pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure by Anneli Hulthén to the Commission

Subject: Lack of consultation of NGOs

Bearing in mind the Commission's White Paper, 'European Governance,' published last year, and in particular the section 'Involving Civil Society' where it states that 'Non-Governmental Organisations play an important role at global level in development policy', will the Commission explain why NGOs have not been consulted in shaping the policy outlined in the Commission's Communication published on 13 February 2002, 'Towards a Global Partnership for Sustainable Development,' called for by the Göteborg Council in June 2001 in preparation for the Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development and what steps the Commission intends to take to rectify this lack of consultation with NGOs and the civil society?

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