

ORAL QUESTION H-0636/02
for Question Time at the part-session in October 2002
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Western Sahara

Javier Solana is reported to have stated that it is not possible to produce a European Union common position on Western Sahara at present as views diverge so widely that there is no point in pressing the issue.

I note, however, that on 29 December 1998 the Presidency of the Council adopted a statement on Western Sahara reiterating its 'full support for the settlement plan proposed by the United Nations Secretary-General for Western Sahara'.

What initiatives does the Commission intend to take to enable the European Union to adopt a common position supporting the holding of a free, fair and impartial referendum on the self-determination of the Sahrawi people?

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