

ORAL QUESTION H-0178/03

for Question Time at the part-session in April 2003
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
by Neil MacCormick
to the Commission

Subject: Discrimination against foreign language lecturers: continued

Having regard to the Commission's reply to my question (H-0088/03¹) which gave a slightly more forthcoming answer than the reply to my previous question (H-0796/02²), it appears that a serious and continuing failure to uphold the rule of law by ensuring full and timely observance of Court judgments is prevailing in the Italian state owing to the conduct of certain Italian universities, to the continuing severe detriment of non-Italian nationals holding teaching jobs in these universities.

This being so, will the Commission therefore extend its inquiries and advise the Italian state that it is in breach of Article 6 of the Treaty on European Union? If not, will the Commission please state in what, if any, respect it considers that, with regard to the European citizens affected, Italy is observing minimal requirements of the rule of law.

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¹ Written answer of 11.3.2003.

² Written answer of 17.12.2002.