ORAL QUESTION H-0340/03 for Question Time at the part-session in June 2003 pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure by Niall Andrews to the Council

Subject: Guaranteeing independence of EU development aid from trade and security goals

What is the Council's reaction to growing concerns that in the future the least developed countries which benefit enormously from the EU's development policy and aid budget would seriously lose out by being obliged to meet EU trade and security demands in return for humanitarian aid and will it give assurances that no such link between the EU's development policies and foreign and trade issues will be permitted?

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