ORAL QUESTION H-0429/03 for Question Time at the part-session in July 2003 pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure by Laura González Álvarez to the Council

Subject: Colombia, paramilitaries and displaced persons in Cacarica

In Colombia, freedoms are being further curtailed by the day, without any substantial social progress being apparent.

Growing militarisation, accompanied by an increasingly visible North American presence, is again enabling paramilitaries to operate with impunity.

What action will the Council take to sponsor a peaceful settlement between the Colombian Government and the guerrillas? Is it promoting a humanitarian agreement, which could be a first step in this direction? How is it going about this?

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