

ORAL QUESTION H-0514/03
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pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Measures to combat child pornography on the Internet

The distribution of child pornography over the Internet is assuming alarming proportions and is even affecting countries such as Greece where the percentage of the population with Internet access is low. Recently in Volos, a network was uncovered illegally distributing photographic and video material via a website with 5000 members and over 600 000 visitors. Some estimates put the number of similar sites in Europe at over 10 000.

Will the Commission take the necessary measures to prosecute electronic crime and, in particular, child pornography effectively, which will target providers and users alike, protect the victims, combat the degrading of human life and support the services and NGOs fighting this inhuman crime?

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