

ORAL QUESTION H-0557/03

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to the Commission

Subject:           The Global Health Fund

The spread of HIV is alarming. The Global Health Fund was established to significantly increase the resource mobilisation for HIV prevention. Since the Fund was launched a considerable increase in funding from the international community has been forthcoming. However, the prospects for 2004 and onwards look bleak. HIV prevention would, according to the experts, need 8-10 billion dollars a year. Commitments so far are in the range of 3-4 billion dollars. President Prodi's statement in Paris on 16 July indicated increased support from the EU to the GF.

Could the Commission clarify its intentions concerning its (and the EU's) contributions to the Global Health Fund?

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