

ORAL QUESTION H-0833/03

for Question Time at the part-session in January 2004  
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Commission

Subject: Agricultural information system in the olive oil sector

Have the Greek authorities provided information regarding the development, realisation and implementation of the new monitoring procedures in the olive oil sector?

If the project has not been completed, will the Commission respect its undertaking to suspend aid to Greek producers of olive oil from trees not covered by the new system referred to above for the new marketing year 2003/2004? If this measure is implemented, have alternative ways been considered of protecting honest producers who declare and produce annual quantities of 500 kilos?

If so, how did the Commission calculate the amounts corresponding to the last three marketing years taken as the point of departure in calculating average production by Member State so as to determine the national maximum guaranteed quantity given that Greece does not yet have an olive tree register, without making producers responsible for them?

What progress has been made by the geographical information system in the olive oil sector most of which should have been completed by the first half of 2003?

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