ORAL QUESTION H-0841/03 for Question Time at the part-session in January 2004 pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure by Antonios Trakatellis to the Commission

Subject: Approval of funding and construction of the Thessaloniki Metro

According to the Commission's previous answer to question P-2461/03, the Greek authorities had not submitted an application to confirm the level of assistance from the Structural Funds for the Thessaloniki Metro and the Commission was examining the financial arrangements relating to the concession contract with a view to a decision on Community funding for the project.

The Greek Government has now begun to review the allocation of resources under the 3rd CSF. Does this review include an application for co-funding of the project and, if so, on what terms precisely? Has the Commission taken a decision on Community funding for the project? What were the reasons for the withdrawal of the previous Greek application for funding and the delay in proceeding with the work?

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