

ORAL QUESTION H-0858/03
for Question Time at the part-session in February 2004
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
by Liam Hyland
to the Commission

Subject: Deadly tree fungus

According to the news service of the 'New Scientist' dated 5 December 2003, 'A strain of fungus that has decimated California's oaks has been confirmed in four trees in England.' It adds that the deadly plant disease, nicknamed 'sudden oak death', is related to the pathogen responsible for Ireland's devastating potato blight in the mid-1800s.

What course of action does the Commission propose to deal with this deadly plant disease?

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