

ORAL QUESTION H-0128/04
for Question Time at the part-session in March I 2004
pursuant to Rule 43 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Reform of the tobacco sector

The Commission has asked two universities (in Italy and Greece) to produce a study of the effects of partial uncoupling of aid in the Union's tobacco sector. As a decision on the reform of this sector is imminent, can the Commission explain why it has not yet publicised the findings of this study, which are already available?

Is it in fact the Commission's intention not to take these findings into account in the debate on the reform? Should that be the case, can it explain the point of spending EU taxpayers' money on a study which has finally not been used?

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