ORAL QUESTION H-0278/05 for Question Time at the part-session in May 2005 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Ole Krarup to the Commission

Subject: Swedish surveillance plans

According to a report in the Svenska Dagbladet of 29 March, the Swedish government is preparing to permit other EU countries' police authorities to carry out phone-tapping and data surveillance on Swedish citizens as part of the campaign to combat cross-border crime.

Does the Commission consider that this type of cross-border investigation permit has any foundation in the current legal basis for Europol and/or Schengen cooperation? Can other Member States be required to carry out similar cross-border investigations in return?

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