

ORAL QUESTION H-0738/05
for Question Time at the part-session in September II 2005
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Sale of 2.5 million tonnes of sugar by the EU

While it is understandable that the Commission has proposed the export of an additional quantity of some 2.5 million tonnes of sugar so as to dispose of the "sugar surplus", can the Commission please explain how this action does not contradict in spirit both the opinion of the WTO panel and the recent opinion of the WTO appeals board?

Can the Commission please also state to what extent it has considered the negative consequences of extra EU sugar exports on a number of third countries?

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