

ORAL QUESTION H-1030/05
for Question Time at the part-session in December 2005
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
by Arlene McCarthy
to the Commission

Subject: Premier League broadcasting rights investigation

What staff time and resources have been taken up by the Commission's investigation into the UK Premier League's allocation of broadcasting rights for live football matches?

What lessons have been learnt by the Commission, with a view to changing your internal procedures and prioritising genuine competition cases?

Does the Commission agree that if it has an issue with the broadcasting rights of live sports it would be more efficient and appropriate to investigate the broadcasting market for potential abuse of a dominant position?

Tabled: 22.11.2005
en