ORAL QUESTION H-0469/06 for Question Time at the part-session in June 2006 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Giorgos Dimitrakopoulos to the Commission

Subject: Turkish encroachments on Greek airspace

Following the repeated infringement of the Athens FIR regulations, the encroachments on Greek airspace by Turkish fighter aircraft and Turkey's refusal to recognise search and rescue procedures in the Aegean, culminating in the tragic collision between two aircraft and the death of a Greek airforce pilot, what action will the Commission take to ensure compliance with Athens FIR regulations, the integrity of Greek airspace, Greek being an EU Member State, and compliance with the rules governing search and rescue operations in the Aegean, in the context of current negotiations between Turkey and the EU regarding Turkish accession?

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