ORAL QUESTION H-0941/06 for Question Time at the part-session in November 2006 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Philip Bushill-Matthews to the Commission

Subject: Equal treatment for people with disabilities

Are there any Member States that currently have in place a system that recognises the official disabled status of citizens from other Member States, particularly with regard to discounts when purchasing goods and services? The current situation whereby the holder of a disability permit in the UK, for example, cannot benefit in Italy from a travel concession afforded to an Italian disabled person would appear to represent discrimination against non-Italian EU citizens. How would the Commission propose to resolve such discrimination in order to ensure that equal treatment is available to all citizens with disabilities throughout the EU?

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