

ORAL QUESTION H-1071/06
for Question Time at the part-session in February 2007
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Fighting illegal immigration from Africa

In an earlier written answer to my oral question (posed during the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly - 12th session, 20 to 23 November 2006) the Commission has highlighted, in dealing with criminal human trafficking gangs, 'the importance of all states speedily ratifying the related protocols to the United Nations Convention on Transnational Organised Crime in order to have an effective instrument as a basis for joint work'. Given that key countries such as Spain, Portugal, Malta, Senegal and Mauritania are amongst those countries that have already ratified, in what way is the Commission being held back from having 'an effective instrument for joint work' already in place?

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