ORAL QUESTION H-0491/07 for Question Time at the part-session in July 2007 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Danuté Budreikaité to the Council

Subject: Implementation of the EU energy package

In Directive 2003/54/EC¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and repealing Directive 96/92/EC (Electricity Directive) and in the energy package proposed by the Commission in January 2007, perfectly clear requirements are laid down for participants in the EU energy market: separation of energy production, supply and marketing by 1 July 2007. Some Member States are known to be resisting compliance with these requirements.

Which countries reject the reform of the energy market and what are the possible consequences of failure to comply with the Electricity Directive?

What is the Council's position regarding the possible application of the new provisions (separation of energy production, supply and marketing) to participants in the Nord Stream gas pipeline project, particularly Gazprom?

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