ORAL QUESTION H-0661/07 for Question Time at the part-session in September II 2007 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Georgios Karatzaferis to the Commission

Subject: Funding of non-governmental organisations and bodies for immediate reafforestation in Greece

Greece recently suffered the greatest environmental disaster in its history. However, many Greek environmental bodies and monasteries located on burned land possess the know-how and the scientists necessary to organise the rapid reafforestation of these areas by extensive planting operations.

How can the Commission provide funding directly to non-governmental organisations, monasteries, environmental bodies etc. (i.e. outside the framework of the third CSF) so that they can immediately restore the environment in Greece's forests which have been destroyed by fire?

Which Community initiatives could be used for this purpose?

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