

ORAL QUESTION H-0339/08  
for Question Time at the part-session in May 2008  
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Commission

Subject: Food safety in Spain

Following the import into Spain of Ukrainian sunflower oil contaminated with mineral oils, the Commission has provided assurances that the national authorities had taken all appropriate action.

However, a number of Spanish agricultural organisations have accused their country's government of not carrying out adequate checks on imports from non-EU countries, thus jeopardising food safety in Spain.

Is the Commission planning to verify the border checks carried out in Spain with a view to preventing any repetition of cases such as the sunflower-oil one which jeopardise food safety? Is there any means of compensating Spanish producers for the financial loss they have suffered on account of the imports of contaminated oil?

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