ORAL QUESTION H-0602/08 for Question Time at the part-session in September I 2008 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Mihael Brejc to the Council

Subject: Parliament's monthly migration

In the life of the current Parliament, as well as of its predecessors, there have been numerous calls to scrap part-sessions in Strasbourg. The European public are highly critical of a situation in which Members and officials have to trek from Brussels to Strasbourg, and consider that the money involved, more than EUR 200 million a year, could be spent more usefully elsewhere. Nor is it possible to ignore the fact that over a million European citizens have supported protests against the toing and froing.

Next year Parliament will be newly elected, and people will be asking us why we keep moving about in this way. How does the Council think that question should be answered?

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