ORAL QUESTION H-0649/08 for Question Time at the part-session in September II 2008 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Konstantinos Droutsas to the Council

Subject: New provocation by FYROM against Greece

The letter from the Prime Minister of FYROM, Mr Gruevski, to the Prime minister of Greece, Mr Karamanlis, which reiterates the unacceptable view that a Macedonian minority exists in Greece, is a new provocation. This letter confirms that the imperialist struggle in the Balkans is also marked by blackmail and irredentist statements, such as the claim that a Macedonian minority exists in Greece.

Does the Council condemn this action by Mr Gruevski? Does it support no change to the borders in the Balkans and does it consider that such irredentist statements or views could have dangerous implications for the people?

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