ORAL QUESTION H-0737/08 for Question Time at the part-session in October 2008 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Aloyzas Sakalas to the Council

Subject: Reasons for not de-listing the People's Mojahedin of Iran (PMOI) from the Council's list of terrorist organisations

Since 2003, the People's Mojahedin of Iran (PMOI) organisation has been listed in the Council's list of terrorist organisations. This decision was based on a decision by the UK Home Office to include the PMOI in the UK list of proscribed organisations.

The PMOI has challenged the decision of the competent authority in the UK. As a result of judgements of the Proscribed Organisations Appeals Commission and the Court of Appeal, the PMOI was removed from the UK list of proscribed organisations in June 2008.

Since 24 June 2008, the Council decision has therefore been lacking the basis of a decision taken by a judicial authority or an equivalent competent authority. However, during its review of the list of terrorist organisations on 15 July 2008 the Council did not decide to de-list the PMOI. What are the reasons for the Council to keep the PMOI on its list of terrorist organisations?

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