ORAL QUESTION H-1019/08 for Question Time at the part-session in January 2009 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Zsolt László Becsey to the Commission

Subject: Denial by Serbia of the 1944-45 genocide against Vojvodina Hungarians, Germans and Jews

As human dignity and in consequence humanity are such fundamental values of the European Union (see both the Nice and the Lisbon Treaty), if these values are constantly violated by Serbia in denying the 1944-45 genocide committed by the Titoist partisans, to which approximately 40 000 Vojvodina Hungarians, 260 000 Germans and Jews fell victim under the pretext of their 'collective guilt', thus denying rehabilitation to all the victims, why is it that the Commission does not raise this question as a crucial SAA and enlargement condition under the Copenhagen Criteria in its negotiations and actions with any government in Belgrade? Without admission of historic guilts and without requests for pardon no European nations could be reconciled in the Union - how then could Serbians, Hungarians, Germans and Jews?

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