

ORAL QUESTION H-0088/09
for Question Time at the part-session in March I 2009
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
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to the Commission

Subject: Opening of the German labour market for the new Member States

On 16 July 2008 the German Government decided that the German labour market would remain closed to workers from the new Member States for a further two years (until the end of April 2011), even though the unemployment rate in June 2008 was just 7.5%. In the justification of that decision for the Commission, the unfolding economic crisis was mentioned as the main reason, although the crisis is affecting not just the German economy but the economies of all EU Member States.

Does the Commission consider this justification to be convincing and properly substantiated?

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