

ORAL QUESTION H-0100/09
for Question Time at the part-session in March I 2009
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure
by Giorgos Dimitrakopoulos
to the Commission

Subject: More flexible interpretation of the Stability and Growth Pact

Will the Commission say whether, during this period of very great economic crisis, it is insisting on its view that all countries with deficits must reduce them within a period of two rather than three years, although the latter period would appear more reasonable, given the present situation? If so, why? How is this insistence compatible with the views of the Eurogroup chairman regarding a more flexible interpretation of the Economic Stability Pact (see statements of 21 January 2009, Agence Europe)?

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