ORAL QUESTION H-0107/09 for Question Time at the part-session in March I 2009 pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure by Carmen Fraga Estévez to the Commission

Subject: Natural disasters in January 2009

The storms that occurred in Spain and France in January took an extremely heavy toll in terms of both damage and loss of life. In the Galician autonomous community, it was the forestry sector that sustained the worst damage. The Commission has confirmed that contacts with the French Government have been going on since the start of the storms, with a view to determining the availability of Community funding to make good the losses sustained.

Has the Spanish Government applied for Community assistance under the Solidarity Fund? Has it contacted the Commission to find out what assistance is available under that instrument or under rural development programmes?

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