

ORAL QUESTION H-0129/09

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to the Commission

Subject: Reinforcement of cooperation with El Salvador

An agreement between the EU and El Salvador has been in place since 1993, and since then the Union has been that country's most important source of aid funding. Until the end of the civil war, cooperation was essentially a matter of tackling the situation of national emergency, and was thus concentrated on food aid and refugee support. Today, the EU's aid extends to a broader field, including human rights, economic cooperation, demobilisation and integration of ex-combatants and rural development. Meanwhile, new problems have now arisen in the shape of unemployment, violence in society, underinvestment in human capital and the need to promote younger workers. What measures does the Commission have in mind for renewing and reinforcing cooperation with El Salvador?

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