

ORAL QUESTION H-0251/09  
for Question Time at the part-session in May 2009  
pursuant to Rule 109 of the Rules of Procedure  
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to the Commission

Subject: Cooperation in the field of accidental or deliberate marine pollution

The European Parliament and the Council adopted Decision 2850/2000/EC<sup>1</sup> setting up a Community framework for cooperation in the field of accidental or deliberate marine pollution and of the Community mechanism in the field of civil protection assistance interventions.

What has been done so far by the European Commission concerning the improvement of the 'capabilities of the Member States for response in the case of incidents involving spills or imminent threats of spills of oils or other harmful substances at sea and also to contribute to the prevention of the risk'? What does the European Commission intend to do in this field in the short- and long-term?

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 332, 28.12.2000, p. 1.