ORAL QUESTION O-0014/01 pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure by Per Gahrton, Didier Rod, Nelly Maes and Elisabeth Schroedter, on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group to the Commission

Subject: Strengthening of the capabilities of the Union in the field of civil crisis-management

- 1. Will the concept of the European Civil Peace Corps, as set out in the European Parliament recommendation to Council on the establishment of a European Civil Peace Corps (adopted in early 1999), be addressed in the Communication of the Commission on Conflict-Prevention, the publication of which is scheduled for April 2001?
- 2. Does the Commission intend to adopt a coherent policy on respect for human rights, the rule of law and democratic principles, based on objective criteria, in order to send the proper signals to democratic forces working for peaceful dialogue, pluralism and democratic participation in the decision-making process which contributes to preventing conflicts?

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