ORAL QUESTION WITH DEBATE O-0026/03

pursuant to Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure

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Subject: Maritime safety and places of refuge for ships in distress

Member States must designate places of refuge for ships in distress as provided for by Article 20 of Directive 2002/59/EC¹ at the latest by 1 July 2003, a few months ahead of the implementation of the said directive on vessel traffic monitoring.

What means is the Commission prepared to employ to ensure that all EU Member States concerned actually enforce this measure by the set deadline?

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¹ OJ L 208, 5.8.2002, p. 10.