

ORAL QUESTION WITH DEBATE O-0114/06  
pursuant to Rule 108 of the Rules of Procedure  
by Enrique Barón Crespo, on behalf of the Committee on International Trade  
to the Commission

Subject: Interim Agreement with Turkmenistan

Could the Commission give its current assessment of the case for and against the approval of the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the European Communities and Turkmenistan, in the light of developments in the political and economic situation of Turkmenistan since the Agreement was initialled in 1998?

In particular, could the Commission say whether it believes it would be desirable to indicate a willingness to approve the Agreement in response to certain signals from the Turkmen authorities of their readiness to improve the human rights situation in that country?

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