ORAL QUESTION WITH DEBATE O-0057/08 pursuant to Rule 108 of the Rules of Procedure by Bogusław Rogalski, on behalf of the UEN Group to the Council

Subject: Growth in support for parties espousing totalitarian traditions in Europe

Extremist parties that espouse Nazi traditions have been a matter of growing concern in the European Union for many years now. Many such parties operate legally and refuse to recognise the post-war order in Europe, publicly advocate racism and discrimination and engage in activities promoting intolerance, ethnic cleansing and violence against people with different sexual orientations or of different races.

In many countries such parties are steadily increasing their support among the general public and are thus able to gain entry to a large number of representative bodies and obtain public funding.

How does the Council intend to stem the rise of parties that openly espouse Nazi doctrines and symbols?

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