

WRITTEN QUESTION P-2539/02
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to the Commission

Subject: EU funding for flood aid

Over the past few weeks, Austria, Germany and the Czech Republic have been devastated by floods of hitherto unimagined proportions. Thousands of people have been deprived of their livelihoods; their lives have been destroyed. The cost of the damage caused by the floods amounts to several billion euro.

In the light of this catastrophe:

- Are funds available from the agriculture budget to ensure that the victims receive rapid financial assistance, as was the case during the BSE crisis, for example?
- If so, how much financial assistance could be granted, and in what form?