WRITTEN QUESTION P-2799/03 by Domenico Mennitti (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Development of Pan-European corridors

The process of European integration is now reaching its final stage with the accession of ten new countries to the European Union. There is therefore an urgent need to develop identified infrastructure to foster economic relations within an area that has expanded enormously in size. Of particular importance among the types of infrastructure envisaged are 'Pan-European corridors', which are considered ideal tools for promoting economic exchange and especially trade.

In the light of the above, does the Commission not feel that the priority criteria should be broadened and special attention awarded to Pan-European corridor No 8 as part of the plans to boost the countries bordering the Mediterranean, which should be flanked with the development of adequate infrastructure?

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