WRITTEN QUESTION P-2174/06 by Anne Ferreira (PSE) to the Commission

Subject: Blood donation: implementation of the directive in the Member States

On 27 January 2003, the European Parliament and the Council adopted Directive 2002/98/EC setting standards of quality and safety for the collection of human blood and blood components¹.

Article 32 set 8 February 2005 as the deadline for transposition. Which States have met this deadline? Have the Member States that have failed to do so communicated a transposition date?

Article 20 requires the Member States to take the necessary measures to encourage voluntary and unpaid blood donations. What steps have Member States taken to date towards this end?

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¹ OJ L 33, 8.2.2003, p. 30.