WRITTEN QUESTION P-0676/08 by Giovanna Corda (PSE) to the Commission

Subject: Community bluetongue vaccination campaign

On 16 January 2008 the Commission announced the launching of a Community-funded vaccination campaign against bluetongue disease.

Some Member States, including Belgium, are reeling under the economic impact of this viral disease.

In order to reduce the economic losses suffered by farmers as rapidly as possible, can the Commission:

provide precise information on the timetable for the vaccinations;

- indicate which Member States will be given priority for the distribution of vaccines, some regions, according to the Commission, being much more badly affected than others?