

WRITTEN QUESTION P-5090/08
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to the Commission

Subject: Primary law

On 10 September 2008, the Turkish Cypriot leader, Mehmet Ali Talat, said that Greek Cypriots, Turkish Cypriots and European Union officials were discussing ways in which any derogations from the 'acquis communautaire' agreed within the framework of a solution to the Cyprus problem could become primary EU law. Will the Commission say whether any such talks are really taking place, whether the EU is prepared to accept that any derogations from the acquis agreed within the framework of a solution to the Cyprus problem should become primary law and whether discussions are being held on the modification, complete revision or replacement of Protocol 10 relating to the accession of the Republic of Cyprus to the European Union?