

## **WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE COMMISSION ON AIR TRANSPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

The Commission's Communication on "Air Transport and the Environment : Towards meeting the Challenges of Sustainable Development" COM(1999)640 stated that further measures on reducing the negative effect of air transport on the environment would be proposed at a future date.

Moreover, my report on behalf of the Parliament on the communication calls on the Commission to bring forward various proposals on air transport and the environment.

When does the Commission plan to publish such proposals and will they include measures to reduce:

- 1). the local impact of air transport on the environment (such as gaseous emissions and noise near airports); and
- 2). the global impact of air transport on the environment (such as greenhouse gas emissions)?