



NEWS REPORT

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Title: Parliamentary Committee on European Affairs hearing on EU complaint
Country: Ireland

Context

Issue at stake: Joint Oireachtas (Parliamentary) Committee on European Affairs hearing on ERA (Equality Rights Alliance) complaint to European Commission on cutback to Equality Authority's budget

Ground of discrimination: All grounds

Source: Political development

Field: All fields

Content

Case/law/political development: On 5 November 2009 the all-party Joint Oireachtas (Parliamentary) Committee on European Affairs held a hearing on ERA's (Equality Rights Alliance) current complaint to the European Commission on the 2009 cutback to the Equality Authority's budget, which ERA contends is contrary to European law and the obligations of Member States to retain an effective national equality body under EU equality directives.

Internet link source and additional information:

Official transcript of meeting ERA and Joint committee on European Affairs:

<http://debates.oireachtas.ie/DDebate.aspx?F=EUJ20091105.xml&Node=H2 - H2>