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to the Commission**

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Subject: Tackling youth unemployment

In tackling unemployment, one measure that most Member States have already introduced or are in the process of introducing is various forms of youth aid. These aid instruments include both short-term aid, such as guarantees for young people, and long-term action, such as reform of the education system.

In my report on possible measures for tackling youth unemployment, I emphasised that, owing to the differences between the Member States in terms of employment model, work culture and geographical and economic conditions, the measures introduced need to be tailored to the specific situation in each country or region.

If there is to be a real improvement in the situation, whatever measures are applied will need to be monitored and analysed, and statistics on the results obtained will need to be collected with a view to drawing up a list of the most effective measures and a set of best practices.

I would therefore like to ask:

1. What arrangements has the Commission made for monitoring the measures introduced and determining their effectiveness?
2. Does the Commission intend to put in place a special programme for collecting statistics on measures to promote youth employment that already form part of Member State employment policies?