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Subject: Trade in Services Agreement (TISA)

In June 2014, the international organisation WikiLeaks published the alleged draft text of the Trade in Services Agreement (TISA). These revelations, which will have significant consequences for the privatisation of basic services, such as banking, health and education, come in addition to the possible future outlook contemplated by current talks, such as the examination of common principles for the regulation of financial services and the assessment of potential benefits for growth and jobs.

The EU has also recently published a concept paper that provides a structure for the agreement, based on a modular approach similar to that used for the Doha Round.

Furthermore, not only was the draft TISA drawn up with a minimum of transparency, but it could, according to the arrangements made, remain classified for the five years following its adoption.

Can the Commission therefore answer the following questions:

- How will TISA determine the economic policies of leading capitalist countries and will the parliaments of the countries concerned be involved?
- What tangible benefits might there be for growth and jobs and how will the regulation of the above-mentioned financial operations and services be affected?
- Does the Commission believe that the structural approach mentioned above could fail, as happened in the Doha Round? With a view to transparency, does the Commission plan to hold a public consultation in relation to the ten rounds of negotiations that are due to take place this autumn?