

**Question for written answer E-007151/2014  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Promoting the national parliaments' involvement in monitoring subsidiarity

The national parliaments, which are fundamental to Europe's democratic legitimacy, saw their role as guardians of the principle of subsidiarity strengthened by the Lisbon Treaty. In order for them to be involved more closely in what the EU does, it is essential to establish and develop sound, well thought out arrangements for dialogue between the national parliaments and the Union.

The 2013 reports on the application of subsidiarity and proportionality and on relations between the Commission and the national parliaments highlighted the fact that 80% of the opinions received from national parliaments came from just 10 chambers – pointing up the need to further promote the political dialogue.

1. What measures is the Commission considering taking to encourage more national parliaments to get actively involved in monitoring the application of the subsidiarity principle?
2. How does the Commission intend to respond to the calls to strengthen and improve the democratic legitimacy of the framework for economic and monetary union by stepping up the national parliaments' involvement in the process from an early stage?