

**Question for written answer E-010481/2014  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Threats to freedom of movement in the European Union

Shortly after the Court of Justice of the European Union issued its ruling of 11 November 2014 opposing putting a stop to 'benefits tourism', David Cameron promised to halt the influx of European workers into the UK by instituting a minimum period of four years before immigrants would be able to claim welfare benefits and by deporting immigrants who had not found work within six months. According to *Euronews*, the UK Prime Minister also added that if Brussels opposed his proposals, he would campaign to pull the UK out of the EU. This view is part of a wider mood of discontent that was analysed by the European Parliament Research Service's report 'Freedom of movement and residence of EU citizens'. The conclusions of this report demonstrated that intra-EU migration has a positive impact on the economy and local business.

Has the Commission taken note of this report and of its recommendations? Does the Commission feel that the UK's position is in accordance with the Treaty on European Union?