Question for written answer E-000020/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Ulla Tørnæs (ALDE)

Subject: Minimum wage in Germany and consequences for the road freight sector

On 1 January 2015, the law providing for a minimum wage of EUR 8.5 per hour will become applicable in Germany. According to the latest information, it will cover the transport sector and apply to German as well as foreign operators performing transport activities in Germany.

- 1. Given the above information, will the Commission assess whether a minimum wage applicable for all work carried out in Germany, including in the transport sector, would be in accordance with the relevant EU legislation, notably the Single Market legislation and the Posting of Workers Directive?
- 2. Additionally, will the Commission assess whether the substantial additional administrative burden this law will impose on foreign operators is in accordance with the free movement of workers?

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