Question for written answer E-002554/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Mylène Troszczynski (NI), Dominique Martin (NI) and Joëlle Mélin (NI)

Subject: Establishing a European platform to enhance cooperation in the prevention and deterrence of undeclared or falsely declared work

The single market was originally set up with a view to bringing about social equality, creating jobs, stimulating growth and, thus, generating prosperity. The ill-considered enlargements of the EU and the implementation of certain directives, in particular the Services Directive and the Posting of Workers Directive, have had the opposite effect, however, creating a worrying imbalance on the French labour market and fuelling the rise in unemployment in France and, at the same time, in the volume of undeclared or falsely declared work. Fair competition between companies is one of the preconditions for business development, job creation and a return to growth in Europe and it is the best form of defence against the development of underground economies.

- 1. Why is the Commission so determined to push ahead with the development of the single market by adopting nonsensical directives, to the detriment of employment and fair and healthy competition in national markets, which are inherently more cohesive and homogenous?
- 2. Why is the Commission not arguing for the setting up of a body which would act as a competition watchdog by assessing the effectiveness of the policies adopted thus far in the internal market?