Question for written answer E-004912/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Edouard Ferrand (NI)

Subject: France's budget deficit and the measures it has been told to take

France has been given an extra two years to bring its budget deficit down to less than 3% of its GDP.

In return, it has been asked to adopt laws to 'modernise its economy', including the Macron law, which is supposedly designed to promote growth and economic activity but which in fact contains deregulatory provisions entirely at odds with the principles of French law.

Is the Commission using France's budget deficit as a pretext to make it introduce measures whose underlying objective has little to do with lowering that deficit?

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