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to the Commission**

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Subject: Self-supply

The document entitled 'Energy Union Package' refers to an 'energy union centred on citizens, in which they assume responsibility for energy transition'. It even uses the expression 'empower consumers'. However, self-supply appears only once in the document (net balance, not at all) and the Commission does not express a desire for the Member States to promote it.

1. Has the Commission calculated the impact of the promotion of self-supply in terms of:
 - increase in energy dependency,
 - reduction in energy bills, and
 - increase in access and reduction in vulnerable consumers?
2. What measures do the European institutions have to ensure that the management of an increasing proportion of the population producing their own energy forms an explicit key aspect of the development of infrastructure?
3. What technical, regulatory and investment measures are available to the Commission to prevent Member States from penalising self-supply, knowing that this phenomenon conflicts with the energy dependency objective defended in the document?