Question for written answer E-007611/2015/rev.1 to the Commission Rule 130 Ivan Jakovčić (ALDE)

Subject: Anti-Fascism education

A few days ago, on 9 May, we had the opportunity to celebrate Europe Day and VE Day, in other words the 70th anniversary of the victory over Fascism and Nazism. Regarding historical facts about the events of World War II, a phenomenon of revisionism is occurring not only in some Member States, but also in candidate countries, and certain historical aspects of antifascism are consequently being misrepresented or neglected. This is a problem particularly if even schools fail to sufficiently stress the importance of anti-Fascism, that is to say, if historical aspects of the Fascist and Nazi movements are reinterpreted in such a light.

Given that education lies within the responsibility not of the Commission, but of the governments of Member States, does the Commission have other measures that might help to kindle the memory of the historic achievement of anti-Fascism, preserve the values that anti-Fascism represents, keeping them alive among younger generations in particular, and, as regards the Member States, unify the interpretation of historical facts about anti-Fascism and the Second World War?