Question for written answer E-008303/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Miguel Viegas (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Coalition for Energy Savings

A new analysis conducted by the Coalition for Energy Savings raises considerable doubt about compliance with Article 5 of the Energy Efficiency Directive (EED), which makes it compulsory, every year, for 3 % of the total floor area of central government buildings to be renovated, or for alternative measures that achieve the same impact to be implemented.

According to the inventory, just 11 of the 28 Member States have decided to renovate central government buildings, which means that most Member States are opting for alternative measures.

This also shows that Article 5 of the EED is not a sufficient incentive to prompt Member States to boost the building renovation market. More encouragement for the renovation of government buildings would make it possible to create a learning laboratory and hence prepare the market for major renovation programmes.

What is the Commission's assessment of the report, and what is it thinking of doing to create mechanisms that will encourage governments to move forward on this issue?

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