

**Question for written answer E-009490/2015**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Coordination of social security systems

According to Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the coordination of social security systems, within the Community equality of treatment should be guaranteed under the different national legislation for the persons concerned. An EU citizen has come to me for help, as, unfortunately, he has been having serious problems as a result of the flaws in the system. When he left Poland and set up a business in Germany, the carer's allowance that had been paid until that time in Poland for his diabetic daughter was stopped pending a decision on the part of the German authorities. Interest on the allowance in Poland is still accruing until a decision is obtained from Germany – a decision he has been waiting for since May 2012. In July 2014, more than two years later, the family benefits office in Saxony paid him two months' worth of the allowance due, i.e. the allowance for June and July 2012, with a request that he submit some outstanding documentation. He sent in that documentation, but no action has been taken by the German authorities, and he is still owed over 35 months' worth of allowances.

1. What steps does the Commission intend to take to improve the system?
2. What action needs to be taken when there is an obvious delay in applying the arrangements for the coordination of social security systems?