

**Question for written answer E-009582/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: European structural funds and fundamental rights

In a letter addressed to Jean-Claude Juncker, the European Ombudsman Emily O'Reilly issued eight proposals to ensure that European funds do not finance programmes that violate fundamental rights.

Ms O'Reilly stressed that European structural funds were sometimes being misused, citing examples such as the segregation of Roma through the construction of a completely isolated neighbourhood, and a job-creation programme that clearly discriminated against women.

1. Is the Commission aware of any misuse of European structural funds?
2. What does it intend to do about the Ombudsman's eight recommendations?
3. How can it guarantee that, in future, programmes supported by European structural funds do not violate fundamental rights?