Question for written answer E-011842/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Joëlle Bergeron (EFDD)

Subject: Relaxation of the rules governing family reunification

During a discussion on the need for a comprehensive EU approach to migration held on 16 July 2015 by Parliament's Committee on Civil Liberties, a number of speakers, including the co-rapporteurs of working documents on solidarity, called for a relaxation of the rules governing family reunification.

It is common knowledge that family reunification draws in migrants and often prevents immigrants legally resident in Member States from integrating properly into society.

Given the substantial problems encountered by EU countries which take in a large number of immigrants, does the Commission think that Member States should relax their rules governing family reunification?

Will it carry out an in-depth study of the impact of family reunification on migration flows into the EU?

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