Question for written answer E-016068/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Pablo Zalba Bidegain (PPE)

Subject: Disability

The change to one of the laws concerning temporary recruitment lists for public posts, published in the seventh additional provision of the recast text of the statute for staff serving the public administrations of Navarre, has had a detrimental effect on people with disabilities, to whom the provision relates. As a result of this change, their priority in the recruitment lists has fallen significantly (whereas they previously enjoyed absolute priority, henceforth the first of every three places on the list is to be reserved for them).

After the regional law had been approved, on 27 April 2015 the director of public administration issued a decision which went even further and destroyed the spirit of the law, making it virtually impossible for priority to be given to people with disabilities.

Does the Commission agree that the Government of Navarre must ensure a correct interpretation with regard to changes to the above law, bearing in mind Article 117(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), which urges Member States to consult the Commission where an amendment to a provision laid down by law may cause distortion; Article 19(1) TFEU, which stipulates that the Council may take appropriate action to combat discrimination based on disability; and Article 151 TFEU, under which the EU and the Member States must aim to achieve social equality through protection and dialogue in order to combat exclusion?

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