

**Question for written answer E-000266/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: The Troika and privatisations

A political clash has erupted in Cyprus because of efforts to privatise the Cyprus Telecommunications Authority (CYTA) which have alarmed the public; moreover, the government stands accused of tabling new bills indirectly promoting another privatisation, that of the Electricity Authority of Cyprus (EAC). Usually, the government argues that these privatisations are imposed on it by the Troika. However, the public wonders whether this is in fact the case or whether the government of Cyprus had also made recommendations to this effect.

Will the Commission say: could alternative measures be submitted? As a representative of the citizens of Cyprus, I believe that the people should know who is setting the terms for the borrowing it is required to meet and how these terms are set.