

**Question for written answer E-001235/2016
to the Commission**

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Subject: The Cyprus question - Commission Task Force

The Cyprus question has come to a crucial crossroads. Negotiations for a solution in the framework of the bi-zonal, bi-communal federation with political equality are underway. Its solution, in line with European principles and values through applying the *acquis*, is a matter of crucial importance for the stability of both a Federal Cyprus and the wider area.

According to information, the Commission has set up a Task Force to prepare for the implementation of the *acquis* in the Turkish Cypriot community. Also, in the past week negotiators Andreas Mavrogiannis and Ozdil Nami have had contact with Commission representatives in Brussels.

In view of the above, could the Commission please state:

- How does it propose to take advantage of the momentum that currently exists? Can the euro and the application of the European *acquis* in the Turkish Cypriot community act as a security factor?
- What has been the result of the contact made between Mavrogiannis - Nami and Commission representatives?
- Can the EU become a sufficient guarantor of security for the entire population of a reunified Cyprus?