Question for written answer E-001294/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Norbert Erdős (PPE)

Subject: Access to the GLOBIOM study of biofuels

Experience indicates that Directive 2015/1513/EU of 9 September 2015 amending Directive 98/70/EC relating to the quality of petrol and diesel fuels and amending Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources is adversely affecting investment in biofuels in most Member States, including Hungary. The scientific basis for the Directive was a study by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) which demonstrated the links between the adverse impact of Indirect Land Use Change (ILUC) and biofuel production. The study drew much attention, even though many scientific bodies and the European Commission itself criticised it. In 2013, therefore, the Commission commissioned a consortium to draw up a fresh study, which I understand has already been completed and is known as the GLOBIOM study. NGOs in Hungary are complaining that the Commission is not giving them the text of the study.

- 1. From what Commission website or other website can the text of the GLOBIOM study be downloaded, or how else can it be obtained?
- 2. If the text of the study is of a confidential nature, what exactly is the justification for claiming that it is?
- 3. Where, and in accordance with what procedure, may I inspect the text of the study?