Question for written answer E-002943/2016 to the Council Rule 130 Olaf Stuger (ENF)

Subject: Approximately 32% turnout in the referendum in the Netherlands - 61% majority against

About 32% of the electorate voted in the consultative referendum on the EU-Ukraine association agreement<sup>1</sup>. The necessary 30% threshold was achieved; the referendum was therefore valid. A 61.1% majority voted against.

- 1. Now that the population of the Netherlands has made its opposition to the EU-Ukraine association agreement abundantly clear, what action does the Council intend to take? A comprehensive list of measures would be appreciated.
- 2. Is the Council prepared to withdraw the EU-Ukraine association agreement immediately?
- 3. Does the Council intend taking a step back from other association agreements between the EU and third countries, in particular the agreement concerning closer relations with Ukraine following Dutch citizens' patently obvious no vote?

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