Question for written answer E-003268/2016 to the Council Rule 130 Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski (ECR)

Subject: On enhancing transparency in trilogues between the Commission, the Council and Parliament

The EU Treaties (specifically Article 15 TFEU) stipulate that the institutions are to conduct their work as openly as possible. One of the principal demands as regards stepping up transparency concerns access to documents relating to the three-way talks ('trilogues') that take place between the Commission, the Council and Parliament. The AFCO Committee's draft report on transparency, accountability and integrity in the EU institutions (rapporteur: S. Giegold) includes a request that the Presidency of the Council include all trilogue documents in the documents register (paragraph 35 of the draft report). It is important to note that almost 80% of legislative acts are adopted under the procedure concerned.

In the light of the foregoing, would the Council be willing to extend access to trilogue documents? If so, in which areas?