

**Question for written answer E-004791/2016
to the Commission**
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Subject: Collective redress

In its communication 'Towards a European Horizontal Framework for Collective Redress' of June 2013, the Commission outlined a set of non-binding common principles whereby it called on Member States to include collective safeguards for European citizens who had suffered from restrictions of their rights in some areas of direct EU competence (competition, consumers, environment, financial services, etc.). The communication suggested that Member States should be given two years to transpose the guidelines into national law, with a view to possible legislation to be introduced within four years of the initial recommendations.

Now, three years after the publication of these guidelines, how does the Commission think it might be possible to move forward with legislative measures in the field of collective redress?