

**Question for written answer E-005394/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Rights of the visually impaired in the decision-making process

The visually impaired must be able to participate on an equal footing with everyone else in all aspects of social and political life, and in the decision-making process, on an independent basis.

In some EU countries, the visually impaired are not able to cast their votes independently.

What does the Commission propose should be done to make it easier for the visually impaired to vote and to ensure that this vote is direct and secret?