

**Question for written answer E-005465/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Late Payments Directive

I have been contacted by a constituent who claims that the UK has failed to implement the Late Payments Directive. He claims that Hyde Housing, a public company created by the British Government, deliberately ignored several requests to pay compensation and accumulated interest on overdue invoices. The late payments caused him significant financial trouble and he informed the courts, requesting an expedited process of 90 days. He claims that the courts ignored his requests, eventually forcing him into bankruptcy.

The Commission is requested to answer the following:

1. Does the Commission monitor the implementation of the Late Payments Directive within specific Member States?
2. Does it monitor the effectiveness of the court systems in individual Member States?
3. Is it of any other similar violations?