Question for written answer E-005828/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Ivan Jakovčić (ALDE)

Subject: Denial of Croatian legal system as a result of an official Commission notification?

Recently the Commission officially notified the Croatian Government that the amendments and addenda made to the Consumer Credit Act and Credit Institutions Act violate EU law. Taking into account that, following a request from banks, the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia is ruling on the constitutionality of those acts, court circles in the Republic of Croatia believe that the Commission issuing a legal opinion on the above acts before the Constitutional Court of Croatia has issued its opinion is an intrusion into the constitutional court process and a denial of the Croatian legal system. It is also unacceptable under EU law itself.

- Is the Commission aware that the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia is ruling on the above acts on the basis of a request for an assessment of their constitutionality?
- Is the Commission authorised to ignore in its decisions proceedings taking place in the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Croatia?

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