Subject: Report on corruption in Romania

At a time when the Romanian people are standing up against political corruption in their country, the Commission has reportedly just postponed the publication of a report on corruption in Romania. This report, which covers corruption in each of the Member States and is published every two years, should have been released by the end of January 2017.

Could the Commission state why it has decided to delay this report's release?

The delay is particularly frustrating because, in doing so, the Commission appears to be protecting the current Romanian Government, which recently passed an emergency decree pardoning political figures who take bribes, provided that the amounts received do not exceed EUR 44 000.

When will the report be published?