Question for written answer E-005177/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Internet platforms and taxes

Some days ago, newpaper reports revealed that in Spain last year Airbnb advertised accommodation in approximately 190 000 homes with around 5.4 million guests. However, all it paid the Spanish Treasury in corporation tax on the turnover generated by these users for the 2016 financial year was EUR 55 211.

In a recent report on internet platforms, Parliament demanded that platforms such as Airbnb pay taxes in the countries where business takes place and profits are generated.

What is the Commission's view of the aforesaid facts and will it put forward proposals in line with the demands made by Parliament?

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