Question for written answer E-005262/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Dominique Martin (ENF)

Subject: Statistics of persons registered with public employment services not updated since 2015

On 13 June 2017, I wanted to consult the statistics on the number of people registered with public employment services on the Eurostat website. The latest figures were from 2015. The figure for the number of people registered as long-term unemployed (> 12 months) was from the same year. According to the table, the source¹ of the data provided appears to be the Commission's Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (DG EMPL). However, Eurostat publishes unemployment rates for the euro area and the latest figures are from April 2017².

- Why have the figures for the long-term unemployed (> 12 months) and for those registered with public employment services not been updated since 2015?
- If DG EMPL is not able to obtain the figures promptly, could Eurostat take the matter into its own hands and collect this data which is so important in the fight against unemployment?

¹ http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/table.do?tab=table&init=1&language=en&pcode=tps00081&plugin=1

² http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/table.do?tab=table&init=1&language=en&pcode=teilm020&plugin=1