Question for written answer E-004460/2018 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Wifi4EU

Recently it has been known that the website enabled to receive requests for the aid of the Wifi4EU program last May was exceeded by the number of requests and that it collapsed, which prevented the delivery of requests in a timely manner. It is an improper and serious event to the extent that one of the requirements for granting the aid is the order of arrival of the petitions.

Faced with these facts:

- 1. Could the Commission indicate what measures it has taken to ensure fair competition between the applicant entities in this and future calls?
- 2. What is the timetable for calls and what steps has the Commission taken to prevent events such as this from happening again in the future?

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