

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0833/00
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to the Commission

Subject: Right to apply for compensation for expropriated property in Poland

New rules in Poland have meant that only Polish nationals who have resided in Poland for more than five years may apply for compensation for private property expropriated after the second world war. This means that people who were forced to flee from Poland during and after the second world war cannot apply for compensation from the Polish state.

Can the Commission state whether it is aware of this issue and, if so, whether it has been discussed in connection with Poland's negotiations for EU membership?