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to the Commission

Subject: Employment of Romanian officials in the EU institutions

Romania and Bulgaria became full members of the European Union on 1 January 2007. To date, however, few nationals of these countries have been employed by the EU institutions.

1. Could the Commission estimate the number of Romanian nationals working for the EU institutions at this moment?

While for nationals of the EU10 which acceded in 2004, the first EPSO competition for non-linguistic administrators finished 7 months after accession, this process seems to have been delayed in the case of Romania and Bulgaria.

2. When does the Commission (EPSO) plan to publish the reserve lists for candidates having successfully passed the competition and when does it plan to employ the first non-linguistic officials as administrators?

3. Is the Commission aware that this delay undermines both the objective of having an adequate geographical balance of staff in the Commission and the capacity of the Commission to deal with the additional workloads arising from the last enlargement, which in itself includes the capacity to recruit competent personnel from the two countries?

4. What does the Commission plan to do in order to ensure that EPSO speeds up the process of competitions for Romanian citizens?