

WRITTEN QUESTION E-3559/07
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Subject: Blank voting at the European elections

In the light of its desire to make the European Union more democratic and more transparent, could the Commission consider allowing all blank votes to be counted at the next European elections? Does the Commission possess a study on the counting or non-counting of blank votes in each Member State at the European elections? If not, can it envisage such a study and following it up with a communication pointing out that each blank vote constitutes a valid vote and should therefore not be considered as an abstention?