

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1066/09
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to the Commission

Subject: EU relevance as depression bites

What is the Commission's reaction to the increasingly widespread civil unrest in numerous EU nation states? Does it not reflect the entirely understandable and escalating need for national interests to be protected in times of financial hardship and unemployment?

Given that the emerging depression will be seen by millions as a fight for survival, a war against economic disaster, is not self-preservation and therefore self-interest inevitable?

Does the Commission fully understand that the catastrophically damaging enforcement of millions of words of EU regulations and directives, which were intolerable at the best of times, do nothing but add to present problems?

When does the Commission plan taking an axe to its forest of so-called "law"? Is that not the EU's own best route to self-preservation, or will the EU be left to collapse under the weight of its own irrelevance as the depression truly bites to the bone?