WRITTEN QUESTION E-2365/10 by Sławomir Witold Nitras (PPE) to the Commission

Subject: Rules for implementing consumer protection regulations

In his statement on the occasion of European Consumer Day, the Member of the Commission responsible noted that he would continue working to ensure that uniform, transparent rules were created for Europe's consumers and that implementation of the existing rules by the Member States would be guaranteed. Last year the Commission set the main targets for the improved implementation of consumer protection legislation. In addition, the Commission is said to be intending to conduct more unannounced market controls in some Member States, supported by the relevant national bodies.

How might such controls function?

How long are they intended to last?

What penalties could be imposed on Member States which infringe consumers' rights?

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