

**Question for written answer E-003019/2011
to the Commission**

Rule 117

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Subject: Chain liability

In its answer to Question P-8845/2010, the Commission states that in 2010 it 'will launch a broader and more detailed study on the protection of workers' rights in subcontracting processes in the European Union... The Commission will take the findings of those studies into account when assessing the need to include provisions on joint and several liability in future legislative initiatives'.

In the light of the above, can the Commission please state what the outcome of this study has been?

What future initiatives will the Commission undertake as a result of the study?

Finally, can the Commission state to what extent chain liability is expected to be incorporated in any future legislation?