Question for written answer E-003780/2011 to the Commission Rule 117 Marielle Gallo (PPE)

Subject: Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA) - compatibility with the Community acquis

In its resolution of 24 November 2010 (P7\_TA(2010)0432), Parliament asked the Commission 'to confirm that ACTA's implementation will have no impact on fundamental rights and data protection, on the ongoing EU efforts to harmonise IPR enforcement measures, or on e-commerce'.

Has the Commission taken note of a petition signed by a number of University lecturers who consider that, contrary to the many statements made by the Commission, some of ACTA's provisions are not compatible with the Community acquis?

What is the Commission's response to these claims that ACTA is incompatible with the Community acquis?

Can the Commission assure Parliament that ACTA is consistent with European Union law and that it is compatible with fundamental rights and the provisions on protection of personal data?

Does ACTA strike a fair balance between the interests of all the parties as well as between business interests and citizens' rights?

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