

Question for written answer E-000535/2012
to the Commission
Rule 117
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Subject: Greek, Irish, Portuguese, Spanish and Italian economic reports

Given that the 1997 Stability and Growth Pact makes it mandatory for each Member State to submit an annual report on its performance under the stability and convergence programmes, and that these reports are intended to help the Commission to evaluate the financial and economic position of the eurozone members, can the Commission state if, how and why these reports failed to forewarn it of the current difficulties in Greece, Ireland, Portugal, Spain and Italy?