Question for written answer E-006845/2012 to the Commission Rule 117 Jean-Luc Bennahmias (ALDE)

Subject: Corruption concerning Euro 2012 in Ukraine

In the wake of the recent 2012 European Football Championships, increasingly detailed allegations of large-scale corruption in infrastructure projects carried out for the championships have been made.

At a time when the EU is paving the way for a policy on sport under the Lisbon Treaty, Parliament has stressed the importance of combating corruption by setting up a special parliamentary committee on corruption, and given that EU neighbourhood policy is becoming a focal point of EU action, I would like to ask three questions.

- 1. Is the Commission aware of these allegations? To what extent can it cooperate with UEFA to study these cases?
- 2. How does the Commission intend to encourage more ethical behaviour by the EU's trading partners in public procurement?
- 3. What progress has the Commission made in the critical fight against tax havens, which provide the lifeblood for corrupt activity at a global level?