Question for written answer E-003601/2013 to the Commission Rule 117 Saïd El Khadraoui (S&D)

Subject: Accident statistics and uninsured vehicles

On 19 March 2013, the Commission published new figures on the number of road deaths in the EU. The statistics show that the number of road deaths fell by 9 % in 2012. Last year, there were fewer road deaths in the EU than at any time since records began. We are thus on course to halve the number of road deaths by 2020, as laid down in the EU Road safety action programme 2011–2020.

Under Directive 2005/14/EC all vehicles in the EU must have insurance against civil liability before use in traffic. It appears, however, that more and more people are driving on the roads without the relevant insurance.

- 1. Does the Commission have in its possession figures relating to the number of uninsured cars involved in accidents over recent years in each Member State? If so, could the Commission please provide these?
- 2. How many deaths occurred in accidents involving an uninsured car in 2012 and/or preceding years?
- 3. What action is the Commission taking to reduce the number of uninsured cars in Europe?

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