

**Question for written answer E-003927/2013
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Measures to support the people of Cyprus following the 'haircut' on deposits

Will the Commission say:

What measures is it taking to protect the people of Cyprus from the Eurogroup's decision to carry out a savage 'haircut' on deposits in Cypriot banks and destroy the country's financial system?

What steps does it intend to take to protect Cypriots - who are EU citizens - from the certainty of soaring unemployment, mass poverty and social misery?

What is its position regarding the unprecedented decision by the Eurogroup to force the Republic of Cyprus to impose a haircut on deposits, in violation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, which provides for the protection of the right to property?