

**Question for written answer E-009666/2013
to the Commission**

Rule 117

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Subject: Gambling infringements

The Commission has announced a review of all pending infringement proceedings concerning gambling law. Infringement proceedings against a number of Member States, including Sweden and Germany, have been open since 2008.

With regard to online gambling and technical provisions for gambling machines, Member States have to notify their gambling laws in accordance with Directive 98/34/EC. Under this procedure, the Commission then scrutinises their conformity with EU law.

For the purposes of effective EU law enforcement, infringement proceedings must lead to sanctions against Member States whose national gambling provisions are in breach of EU law or which fail to notify the Commission of their respective laws as required.

1. Is the Commission currently reviewing all pending infringement proceedings, including those against Sweden and Germany?
2. If not, is the Commission planning to do so in 2013, as announced by the Commissioner?