

Question for written answer E-011010/2013
to the Commission
Rule 117
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Subject: Commission's formal response to Parliament's resolution on cyanide mining

Parliament adopted its resolution of 5 May 2010, in which it called on the Commission to propose a general EU ban on the use of cyanide in mining by the end of 2011, by an overwhelming majority.

Under Article 225 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Parliament may, acting by a majority of its component Members, request the Commission to submit any appropriate proposal on matters on which it considers that a Union act is required for the purpose of implementing the Treaties.

This article also stipulates that if the Commission does not submit a proposal, it must inform Parliament of the reasons.

Given that the Commission has not yet proposed a ban on cyanide mining, in which official document did it formally inform Parliament of its reasons for not submitting a proposal?