Question for written answer E-012310/2013 to the Commission Rule 117 Mojca Kleva Kekuš (S&D)

Subject: Treatment of foreign-owned plots of land on the Croatian coast

A number of cases have been reported in recent years involving the demolition of buildings along the Croatian coast which do not have the necessary building permits. Sound and fair legal practice should be supported, and Croatia's move to better legislate built infrastructure along the coastline is certainly the right one. A number of Slovenian citizens have recently approached me about cases of discrimination in the legal treatment of homeowners whose houses have been selected for demolition. In light of this, can the Commission answer the following:

- Are the legal criteria applied in Croatia for the demolition of buildings without permits in line with European legislation?
- Is Croatia's application of the demolition law non-discriminatory, and is the law applied equally to all EU citizens?

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