Question for written answer E-000134/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 Brian Simpson (S&D) and Claude Moraes (S&D)

Subject: Article 29 Working Party investigation into new distribution capability

On 23 September 2013, the Commission received written question E-010787-13 concerning the data protection implications of the potential development by the International Air Transport Association (IATA) of a new distribution capability (NDC) on the basis of IATA Resolution 787.

Specifically, written question E-010787-13 asked for an update on the activities of the Article 29 Data Protection Working Party, which is the body responsible for investigating the data protection implications of the potential NDC.

In its answer, the Commission asserted that the conclusions of the Working Party's investigation will not necessarily be shared with the European Parliament.

Is it therefore the Commission's position that IATA's plans to develop an NDC under Resolution 787 should not concern Parliament?

How will the Commission ensure transparency on this issue, if the Working Party's findings are not made available?

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