Question for written answer E-000337/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 Nikolaos Salavrakos (EFD)

Subject: Control of subsidies for hostels in Greece

Greek press reports suggest that, following the recent affair involving former Minister Michalis Liapis, the Commission intends to investigate the subsidies allocated (through the EU) for the construction of hostels in Greece. The Commission would be well advised to control everything, even though Greece is full of 'monitoring committees' and officials despatched on mission; this should have occurred earlier and not 'after the event'. However, Greece is not the only country in which hostels, accommodation, etc. have been subsidised. There are regions (such as the former GDR) which have received large amounts of funding under Community initiatives; the European Parliament has still not been informed what amounts were involved, when inspections were carried out and what management anomalies were identified and in which cases.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

What amounts have been allocated to enterprises and projects in the former GDR since 1990, and under which Community initiatives? What anomalies have beens detected in the use of these funds?