

**Question for written answer E-002576/2014  
to the Commission  
Rule 117  
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Subject: Privatisation of partly-privatised organisations as a clause of the memorandum

It is common knowledge that the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus rejected the bill on the privatisation of profitable organisations tabled by the Democratic Rally on 27 February 2014 and requested the clause in question be renegotiated with the Troika. The Government put the bill to the vote on 4 March, prior to any renegotiation, at which point it was passed. The excuse for re-tableting the bill was that the Commission, via Commissioner Olli Rehn, had refused to negotiate on the matter of privatisations.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

Is it true that Commissioner Rehn refused to negotiate the clause of the memorandum on privatisations? Why does the Commission refuse to renegotiate, given that the request to do so was a democratic decision taken by the country's Parliament and given that there was adequate time to do so?