## Question for written answer E-001410/2015/rev.1 to the Commission Rule 130 Jordi Sebastià (Verts/ALE)

Subject: Language policy of the Aragon regional government (Spain)

Aragon's regional government has just deleted the last references to the names of Aragon's minority languages (Aragonese and Catalan) from the autonomous community's cultural heritage law. This is the culmination of an unscientific, regressive and discriminatory language policy, which is referred to in a report submitted to the UN by the European Language Equality Network<sup>1</sup>. The report states that Aragonese is on the brink of dying out.

What is more, the traditionally paltry budget set aside by Aragon's regional government for the preservation of Aragon's linguistic minorities has practically been reduced to zero. In the light of this situation and other similar circumstances affecting the EU's most endangered languages, and bearing in mind that a European Parliament resolution on endangered European languages and linguistic diversity was adopted by an overwhelming majority on 11 September 2013:

1. Does the Commission intend to adopt the measures recommended in the aforementioned resolution, at least for the EU's most endangered languages, such as Aragonese?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.acpv.cat/web/images/stories/arxius/ELEN\_report\_UPR\_DH\_def.pdf