Question for written answer E-004808/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Fabio De Masi (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Incorrect transposition of the fourth Anti-Money Laundering Directive in Germany (4 AMLD)

There is reason to believe that Germany has not correctly transposed the fourth Anti-Money Laundering Directive. Specifically, Article 20(3) of the German law on money laundering (GwG) states that under certain circumstances, information on beneficial ownership must be provided by the beneficial owner itself. Article 30 of the 4AMLD states, however, that legal entities are in all cases responsible for providing information on beneficial ownership.

Is the Commission aware of this discrepancy? What measures does it intend to take to address this?

Does the Commission agree that Germany has not correctly transposed this directive?