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to the Commission
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Subject: Social inclusion of children and youngsters deprived of parental care

In the context of the pre-assessment of the pilot projects and preparatory actions for the 2018 EU Budget, the Commission published its comments on the draft pilot project on the social inclusion of children and youngsters deprived of parental care (4 July 2017, p.15).

In its comments, the Commission explained several funding possibilities, but gave no information on the project's effectiveness, more specifically the results and impact achieved so far. Neither do the programme statements on the European Social Fund and European Regional Development Fund provide sufficient insight into the concrete progress achieved.

How much information does the Commission have on the results and impact of its financial support for deinstitutionalisation and social inclusion, with regard, in practical terms, to children and youngsters who have grown up in institutional care and benefited from the programme's support? This information could relate to both systemic improvements, including well-functioning community-based care and prevention via support for vulnerable families, foster care and adoption, and measures for concrete support (material, medical, social, education and training, housing and apprenticeships).

Would the Commission be able and willing to share that information with the author of this question?