Question for written answer E-006746/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 Claude Rolin (PPE)

Subject: Report on Directive 2009/38/EC on European works councils

In 2009, Parliament and the Council adopted Directive 2009/38/EC on the establishment of a European Works Council or a procedure in Community-scale undertakings and Community-scale groups of undertakings for the purposes of informing and consulting employees. This Directive, which I consider very important for social democracy, seeks to ensure that rights to be informed and consulted on transnational staff matters are guaranteed within Community-scale undertakings or groups of undertakings.

Article 15 of the Directive provides that, '[n]o later than 5 June 2016, the Commission shall report to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee on the implementation of this Directive, making appropriate proposals where necessary.' I may be mistaken, but I do not think the Commission has produced, as yet, this report which would enable further improvements to be made to how European works councils function.

Is the Commission able to say, therefore, what progress it has made on producing this report? Can it give a definite date on which it will present the report?

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