Question for written answer E-001652/2018 to the Commission Rule 130 Benedek Jávor (Verts/ALE)

Subject: Poland, Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Strategy for Responsible

Development

The Government of Poland accepted its Strategy for Responsible Development in February 2017. Based on this government strategy, programmes have been launched to prepare the deployment of high temperature nuclear reactors for industrial heat production in cogeneration, to utilise Poland's industrial and scientific potential and to support Polish R&D into materials for generation IV reactors. As described in the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Guidance, which implements Directive 2001/42/EC on the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment, plans, strategies and programmes should be evaluated through a clear public procedure. However, Poland has failed in this regard.

- 1. Does the Commission share the opinion that SEA should be performed on a state programme which is the basis for the preparation and deployment of generation IV nuclear reactors, in accordance with Directive 2001/42/EC?
- 2. If so, how does the Commission intend to ensure that Poland complies with EU law?
- 3. How will the Commission ensure that Poland begins any future SEA with a cross-border consultation before activities continue or financial resources are spent based on the strategy?

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