

Question for written answer E-002638/2018
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Middle-income earners trapped on the Netherlands' housing market

Middle-income earners are stuck on the Netherlands' housing market. Teachers, nurses and police officers deserve good-quality and affordable housing.

(1) Does the Commission still endorse its own conclusions about the Netherlands' housing market, in particular as regards Dutch middle-income earners?

(2) Does the Commission agree that, in view of economic and social circumstances, it is warranted for Dutch middle-income earners to be fully covered by the current decision on services of general economic interest (SGEI)?

(3) The 2012 SGEI decision, providing an EU-level definition of social housing, was to be reviewed in 2017. Is the Commission prepared, in consultation with the Dutch Government, to review the SGEI decision before the end of the year, and to communicate the findings to the European Parliament, so that finally there is clarity for the large group of middle-income earners that are trapped on the Netherlands' housing market?