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Subject: Illegal hiring of agricultural workers in Europe. Commission commitments and suggestions for a better use of the European Platform tackling undeclared work

According to the 7th GRETA report, undeclared work in agriculture affects on average 25% of European workers, mainly concentrated in Mediterranean and Eastern European countries.

The situation is particularly complex in Romania and Portugal, where 40% and 60% of agricultural workers are in an irregular situation. In the countries with the best practice, Germany and Austria, the percentage is no higher than 10%. In Italy, one worker out of three is irregular.

Taking account of the 18-month EU Council programme, drawn up by the Estonian, Bulgarian and Austrian Presidencies and the High Representative, chair of the Foreign Affairs Council, of Article 12 of Decision (EU) 2016/344, and given that the European Platform tackling undeclared work is available only in English and that, as regards Italy¹, there are no links to the Labour Inspectorate offices of the Region of Sicily² and of Trentino-Alto Adige,

can the Commission say whether it will:

- 1) submit, in this term, the scheduled report by 13 March 2020;
- 2) include other EU languages on its European Platform tackling undeclared work;
- 3) add the links of the Labour Inspectorate offices of the regions of Sicily and Trentino-Alto Adige to the platform?

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