Question for written answer E-001837/2019
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Paying workers in vouchers instead of wages

According to a Bloomberg report, the practice of paying employees in supermarket vouchers instead of wages is becoming increasingly common in Greece. In this way, employers avoid paying social security contributions.

In a typical case, a worker was informed that, out of her wages of EUR 1 000 salary, only EUR 300 would be legally declared.

On the basis of the above and given the likelihood that such incidents also occur in other Member States, will the Commission say:

– What measures will it take to eliminate such unacceptable practices?

– How will it check whether the principles of the recently adopted European pillar of social rights will be respected by all Member States?