

**Question for written answer E-001216/2020
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Monitoring of the issuing of A1 documents for posted workers

Posted workers remain affiliated to the social security system of the country where they normally work.

If a worker is posted to another EU Member State by his or her employer, the social security authorities must be informed and an A1 document must be applied for. This document is then valid at home and abroad as proof of affiliation to the social security system in the habitual Member State of employment. In this way, gaps in the worker's coverage and payment of double contributions by the employer are avoided.

The Member State to which the worker is posted is required to check whether the worker in question is indeed in possession of an A1 document. These checks are further facilitated by the European Labour Authority. The issuing of the A1 document is an exclusive competence of the Member State from which the worker is posted. Nevertheless, a recent Eurofound report ¹ revealed that the conditions applicable to posting are not thoroughly checked by all Member States before an A1 document is issued.

1. Can the Commission indicate which national or European authorities are responsible for monitoring the correct issuing of A1 documents?

2. How does the Commission monitor the correct issuing of A1 documents? Has the Commission carried out a review in this regard in the context of the revision of the Social Security Coordination Regulation?

¹ https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/sites/default/files/ef_publication/field_ef_document/ef19054en.pdf