Question for written answer E-005653/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Cristina Maestre Martín De Almagro (S&D)

Subject: Fundamental rights of LGTBI families in the EU

The Committee on Petitions constitutes the citizens' gateway to the European institutions. It enables citizens to express their complaints and grievances about EU policies. In this regard, many families have already expressed concerns about the violation by some Member States of some of their fundamental rights, including one of the pillars of the European project: the free movement of persons. Petitions such as 657/2020 and 712/2020 show that many European families see their rights curtailed as EU countries, such as Poland, do not recognise their marriage and these families therefore do not enjoy any of the associated rights, this being true both for the adults and the minors in the family, thus preventing them from freely establishing themselves in the Member State of their choosing.

- 1. How will the Commission ensure that all European families are guaranteed their right to free movement without any discrimination based on their sexual orientation?
- 2. Does the Commission undertake to guarantee the rights of homosexual marriages, as well as those of their children, regardless of the EU country in which they decide to reside? How does intend to do so?