Question for written answer E-002555/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Moritz Körner (Renew)

Subject: Work of the Irish Data Protection Commission

Recital 141 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) states that 'every data subject should have the right to lodge a complaint with a single supervisory authority, in particular in the Member State of his or her habitual residence, and the right to an effective judicial remedy in accordance with Article 47 of the Charter if the data subject considers that his or her rights under this Regulation are infringed or where the supervisory authority does not act on a complaint, partially or wholly rejects or dismisses a complaint or does not act where such action is necessary to protect the rights of the data subject'.

At a hearing before the Joint Committee on Justice of the *Oireachtas* (Irish Parliament) in April 2021, Ireland's Data Protection Commissioner, Helen Dixon, was keen to stress that the Data Protection Commission (DPC) was under no obligation to produce a decision in the case of any complaint.

- 1. Does the Commission consider the work of the DPC since the entry into force of the GDPR to be satisfactory?
- 2. Does the Commission plan to initiate infringement proceedings against Ireland because of the performance of the DPC? If yes, when, and if no, why not?