

**Question for written answer E-000494/2022  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Commission proposal for a directive on improving the working conditions of people working through digital labour platforms, and the presumption rule

The Commission's proposal for a directive on improving the working conditions of people working through digital labour platforms proposes a 'presumption rule' with regard to the employment relationship, placing the burden of proof on the employer. With that in mind, I should like clarification on the following points:

1. Why does the Commission take the view in the directive that the employment relationship can be presumed only if two indicators are present, and not just one?
2. In Denmark, social partners and trade unions can enforce collective rights. Does the proposal for a directive interfere with the Danish collective bargaining and labour system – e.g. when it comes to establishing who can represent workers in asserting their rights vis-à-vis the platforms – or with the ability of unions involved in collective bargaining to bring enforcement actions on the basis of the collective rights, even if no members request such action?
3. Does the proposal for a directive restrict the Danish trade unions' ability to see to it that platform companies are covered under collective agreements?