

**Question for written answer E-001280/2022
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Turów – application

In his Opinion (ECLI:EU:C:2022:74) in the proceedings before the Court of Justice of the EU (C-121/21) on mining at the Turów mine, the Advocate General stated that European law, including primary law, had been infringed in several respects. The proceedings were subsequently terminated by an out-of-court settlement between the parties to the dispute.

1. Given that the Commission was an intervener on the applicant's side in the proceedings, will it now exercise its *locus standi* and bring an action against Poland for the above-mentioned infringement?
2. If there are administrative or procedural obstacles to bringing such an action, how else will the Commission ensure compliance with European law in areas where the Advocate General has found misconduct?
3. The original application was withdrawn by the Czech Republic following an out-of-court settlement of the dispute. How has the Commission verified that this bilateral settlement complies with European law?