

Question for written answer E-001293/2022/rev.1
to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Status of the work on abolishing daylight saving time

The vote in Parliament in March 2019 showed overwhelming support for abolishing the practice of changing the clocks twice a year. The result of this vote in Parliament also reflects public opinion. However, since then the debate and negotiations on abolishing the practice of changing the clocks twice a year has been blocked in the Council.

There are many reasons for abolishing this regrettable practice. These reasons include the fact that it confuses people who work and creates stress for families with small children, there is a substantial increase in the number of wild animals killed on the road when the clocks are changed, and an increasing number of people are experiencing physical and psychological difficulties and complications related to the time changing.

It is therefore about (normal) time to resume the negotiations on the abolishment of daylight saving time.

1. Does the Commission intend to relaunch a proposal on this for Parliament and the Council to consider?
2. When does the Commission expect the negotiations on this issue to resume?