

**Question for written answer E-002667/2022
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Suppression of the rights of logistics workers in Italy through measures under the NRRP

Decree-Law No 36 of 30 April 2022 laying down additional urgent measures for the implementation of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (the 'DL PNRR bis') became law in Italy on 29 June 2022 with its publication in the Official Gazette¹.

As reported in the press², Article 37a was added to the legislative text during its passage through parliament. This article amends the provisions of the Italian Civil Code concerning the joint and several liability of contracting companies in respect of the rights of contract workers in the logistics sector.

As a result of that amendment, the protection hitherto afforded to contract workers, who often already have to suffer short-term contracts, missed wage payments and accidents at work, has now ended. It is felt that this legislation will lead to a significant deterioration in the working conditions of one million workers in the sector, including many foreigners resident in Italy, and that it will encourage undeclared work.

Given the above, can the Commission state:

1. whether this legislation is in line with the targets and milestones of the Italian NRRP on employment and the combating of undeclared work, and in particular with milestones 8 and 9 and target 11 of Mission 5, Component 1?
2. what action it will take to ensure that the measures under the Italian NRRP do not create worse conditions for workers?

¹ The text is available online: <https://www.normattiva.it/uri-res/N2Ls?urn:nir:stato:legge:2022-06-29;79>

² For example: <https://www.editorialedomani.it/economia/con-la-scusa-del-pnrr-il-parlamento-cancella-i-diritti-dei-lavoratori-della-logistica-ye20mgvq>