Question for written answer E-000116/2023 to the Commission

Rule 138 Leszek Miller (S&D)

Subject: Revision of the Supreme Court Act and the unblocking of RRP funds

The legislative process for amending Poland's Supreme Court Act is underway, with the aim, according to the Government, of bringing the law into line with a key 'milestone' for the European Commission to unblock funds from the RRP. The revision has been approved by the Sejm and will be considered by the Senate in the course of this week.

On 14 January 2023, Poland's leading daily newspaper 'Rzeczpospolita' published an article under the title: 'Morawiecki to the Senate: the Commission has endorsed the bill – ideally it would be adopted without amendments'. The text, which features frequent quotes from the Polish Prime Minister, makes it clear that the bill should be dealt with by the Senate as soon as possible. Morawiecki at one point states: 'Ideally, the Senate would adopt this law – after all, it has been endorsed by the European Commission – without amendments'.

- 1. Could the Commission state immediately by what procedure, when and where the Commission endorsed the bill currently under consideration by the Senate?
- 2. Does the bill endorsed by the Commission meet the rule of law milestones?
- 3. On the basis of what legal provisions did the Commission consider and endorse the bill, the legislative process of which has not yet been completed in Poland?

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