

**Question for written answer E-001856/2023
to the Commission**

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Subject: Policies to support families

Since being appointed Commissioner for Home Affairs in 2019, Ylva Johansson has argued on numerous occasions that Europe ‘needs migration’ to address labour shortages and the issue of its ageing population. The new EU pact on migration and asylum proposed by the Commission in 2020 is a direct result of this position that more ‘legal migration’ is needed for Europe to prosper.

It is worth noting that the Commission’s primary responsibility is to protect the interests of Europeans. Additionally, in terms of Commissioner Johansson’s mission letter, her focus should not only be on migration-related issues, but also on internal security, under the guidance of the Vice-President for Promoting our European Way of Life.

- 1) Has the Commission considered that supporting Europeans in having more children might also alleviate labour force issues?
- 2) Does it plan to promote the idea of having more children in light of the demographic crisis in Europe and if not, why not?
- 3) The Commission has gone to great lengths to promote LGBTQI+ rights and the idea of ‘rainbow families’. Has it considered promoting and facilitating motherhood and proposing policies that support and encourage larger traditional families, as this should also form a part of the ‘European way of life’?

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