

**Question for written answer E-002931/2023
to the Commission**

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Subject: Combating poverty

The 17th Barometric Study on Poverty and Economic Precariousness by Secours Populaire reveals that almost 30 % of Europeans consider themselves to be in a precarious situation, with numbers differing considerably between Member States (as high as 49 % in Greece, compared with 22 % in France). 39 % of Europeans have given up buying meat and 10 % have resorted to using food banks.

These alarming figures can be explained by the repercussions of high inflation on purchasing power over the past 2 years, and the rise in energy prices caused by the war in Ukraine and the green transition.

In view of the above:

1. What measures is the Commission implementing, both autonomously and in coordination with the Member States, to protect Europeans from inflation?
2. Does the Commission intend to propose new measures to bolster the purchasing power of European citizens?

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