Question for written answer E-003773/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 Stanislav Polčák (PPE)

Subject: Inclusion of a specific policy objective on industrial transition in cohesion policy

In December 2023, Parliament adopted an own-initiative report entitled 'Reshaping the future framework of EU structural funds to support regions particularly affected by challenges related to the automotive, green and digital transitions'. This report, which concerns a number of Member States, comments on a number of circumstances and, among other things, strongly recommends that a specific policy objective on industrial transition be included in post-2027 EU cohesion policy. This should promote European strategic autonomy and address the problematic side effects of the green and digital transitions. I agree that this objective should be achieved in close cooperation with local and regional authorities, but what is the current Commission's view on the inclusion of the abovementioned specific policy objective in cohesion policy in the near future?

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