ORAL QUESTION H-0201/10 for Question Time at the part-session in May 2010 pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure by Sławomir Witold Nitras to the Commission

Subject: EU 2020 strategy - Instruments to ensure and monitor implementation by Member States

On 10 March 2010, Parliament adopted a resolution on the EU 2020 strategy. An interinstitutional agreement has also been reached in the European Council as to the key elements of a new strategy on employment and economic growth. Work on a final draft legal act is still ongoing, but it is clear even at this stage that it will not be possible for the new strategy to include sanctions for failing to adhere to it.

Are the Commission's representatives in the drafting process considering the use of additional legal instruments to check whether the Member States are implementing the EU 2020 strategy? Will proposals for effective ways of enforcing provisions be brought forward, such as economic sanctions in the event of a Member State refusing to cooperate?

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