

**Question for oral answer O-000089/2011  
to the Council**

Rule 115

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Subject: Small Business Act (SBA) review

On 23 February 2011, two and a half years after the adoption of the SBA in June 2008, the Commission adopted the Communication on Review of the Small Business Act for Europe (COM(2011)0078). The Commission carried out and published a first report on implementation of the SBA at EU and Member State level in December 2009. Based on findings in that report, the Commission proposed in its Communication a set of new and renewed measures/actions on tackling identified challenges to the proper implementation of the SBA principles.

1. How is the Council planning to better deliver on its 2009 promises with regard to the implementation of the SBA principles, such as the 'Think Small First' principle and the SME test?
2. Does the Council expect to resolve the deadlock on the European private company statute before the end of 2011?

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