

**Question for written answer P-000647/2013  
to the Commission  
Rule 117  
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**Subject:** Deletion of citizens from the population register and administrative measures depriving them of a permanent address

In Slovakia, under Law no 250/2010, citizens who acquire the nationality of another country automatically lose Slovak nationality. Under Section 9(19) of this law a citizen has an obligation to notify the acquisition of another country's nationality. He must send this notification to several bodies of the district authority, including the social security, the health insurance fund and the population register.

Experience shows that on the basis of this notification the authorities delete such 'dual citizens' from the population register, effectively depriving them of a permanent address even when they continue to reside in the same place, even in their own property. Since they do not have another permanent address, they risk losing their social and health benefits.

1. In the Commission's view does the application of Law no. 250/2010 on nationality not conflict with the EU legal system, under which a person's permanent address is crucial to obtaining their social benefits?
2. In an earlier answer the Commission referred to the principle of proportionality. Is the government not creating a disproportionate problem for its citizens, who are attached to their country and their nationality, when it repeatedly punishes them for not surrendering the only document by which they can establish their identity?