

**Question for written answer P-012621/2013
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Letter from Alexander Downer to José Manuel Barroso

It has been reported in the media that Alexander Downer, the Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Cyprus, has sent a letter to Commission President José Manuel Barroso to prevent the appointment by the European Union of a Special Envoy on Cyprus.

Will the Commission say whether these reports are correct? If so, can it brief me thoroughly about the content of this letter, in accordance with the Regulation on public access to EU documents (EC No. 1049/2001)?