

**Question for written answer P-009969/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Assessment of the measures taken by France under the EDF

The Council adopted the country-specific recommendations proposed by the Commission for the European Semester 2015 on 13 May 2015. The deadline for France to eliminate the excessive deficit was put back for the third time, on condition that it took 'effective action'. The recommendation further states: 'The assessment of effective action taken under the Excessive Deficit Procedure will be made after 10 June 2015'.

1. Does the Commission consider that France took 'effective action' by the deadline of 10 June 2015? If so, what specific measures were taken and what stage has been reached (e.g. submission of a parliamentary decision)?
2. How does the Commission assess the action taken? What methods and criteria does it use? Does it believe that the action taken demonstrates a substantial change in terms of France's intention to carry out reforms? If so, in what does this substantial change consist?
3. How was the public informed of the catalogue of measures submitted or already taken by France, or of its failure to take such action?