## Priority question for written answer P-000679/2024/rev.1 to the Commission

**Rule 138** 

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Subject: Accusations of extensive personal data leak during European election campaign

On the morning of 1 March 2024, Greek voters who, in 2023, had registered on the electoral roll of Greek citizens residing abroad, received an email from the Greek Ministry of the Interior informing them that they could register to vote by post in the European elections on 9 June 2024. The email was sent to their personal email addresses.

Minutes earlier or later, the same voters received another email, again in their personal inbox, from the MEP Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou promoting her electoral campaign to voters who exercise the right to vote by post.

Following complaints about data held by the Ministry of the Interior being leaked to a politician, Ms Asimakopoulou claimed that she had gathered the email addresses during her term as an MEP<sup>1</sup>. However, the recipients of the email contradict this claim.

## In view of this:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of this incident?
- 2. How will it deal with the potential violation of the regulation on the transparency and targeting of political advertising, which was adopted three days ago?
- 3. How will it contribute to a fair electoral process in the upcoming European elections, especially in Greece?

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