Question for written answer E-015058/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Hugues Bayet (S&D)

Subject: Boosting employment and boosting the markets

The ECB President announced recently that the bank would be reviewing the impact of its quantitative easing (QE) programme and that it has not ruled out expanding the programme.

This monetary strategy was primarily intended to stimulate the economy and boost demand, thereby creating jobs.

Inflation is still low, however, unemployment levels are not falling significantly and deflation is becoming a concern again.

Share traders, meanwhile seem much happier with this monetary strategy.

- 1. What conclusions does the Commission draw from the quantitative easing programme?
- 2. Does the Commission consider that the programme has given a sufficient boost to the real economy or has it primarily served to encourage stock-market speculation?

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