Question for written answer E-014861/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Inês Cristina Zuber (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Pressuring and harassment of FNAC employees

CESP, the Portuguese union representing shop, office, and service workers, maintains that FNAC has been infringing staff working hours and pressuring workers into accepting poorer working conditions. According to the information that has come to light, based on a union survey of the workers, the pressure and harassment to which they are being subjected has been occurring at FNAC stores (the company is an international chain) in Portugal. CESP has condemned FNAC's intention of making workers accept a shorter working week – reduced from 40 to 30 or 20 hours – with a corresponding cut in pay. The workers concerned are being blackmailed and have been threatened that unless they accept the conditions being imposed on them, they will be transferred to other stores.

- 1. Is the Commission aware of similar cases involving FNAC in other Member States?
- 2. Has FNAC received EU funding or support, particularly where Portugal is concerned?

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