Question for written answer E-015429/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Kostas Chrysogonos (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Negative impact of the new Code of Civil Procedure on the pace of the administration of

justice in Greece

On 01.01.2016 a new Code of Civil Procedure will enter into force in Greece, which the Commission, as part of the 'Troika', made a prerequisite in the 'Memorandum' for a three-year European Stability Mechanism programme which was agreed on in July 2015 and adopted by Law 4335/2015. However, the Athens Bar Association has indicated that the new arrangements, instead of speeding up the rate of administration of justice, as had been expected, will significantly slow the rate of publication of decisions from mid-May 2016 onwards.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

- 1. Does a procedure exist for assessing the real impact on the Greek economy and on Greek society of the implementation of the 'reforms' imposed by the 'Troika', as the representative of the creditor States?
- 2. If the bleak predictions of the Athens Bar Association prove to be well-founded, what action will the Commission take?

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