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Subject: Defence of the right to conscientious objection

The Parliament recently adopted a resolution entitled ‘My voice, my choice’. Although the Union must respect the sovereignty of Member States in matters of health, this text pushes for legislative standardisation with federalist overtones. In the text, the legislature seriously overlooks the protection of healthcare professionals and subsidiarity in favour of the Member States in this area.

By describing the right to refuse as an ‘obstacle’, the resolution undermines the conscience clause, which not only constitutes a pillar of employment law and individual freedom, but was also once an objection recognised for those working in the military. The Commission cannot, under the guise of financial mechanisms, compel healthcare professionals to act against their ethical convictions. This aberration ignores the fact that individual freedom ends where respect for local laws and the conscience of others begins.

1. How does the Commission intend to protect the right of refusal of healthcare professionals as a legal right, when the resolution describes this as an ‘obstacle’ that needs to be removed?
2. What guarantees will the Commission provide to ensure that workers do not suffer from discrimination in the workplace in the name of a European financial solidarity mechanism?
3. How does it intend to prevent this financial support from acting as a federalist lever for interfering in the national organisation of health services?

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