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Answer given by Mr Serafin  
on behalf of the European Commission  
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Article 6 of the Protocol on the privileges and immunities of the European Union (PPI) provides that '*laissez-passer* in a form to be prescribed by the Council, acting by a simple majority, [...] may be issued to members and servants of the institutions of the Union by the Presidents of those institutions'.

Annex I to Council Regulation (EU) No 1417/2013 of 17 December 2013<sup>1</sup> laying down the form of the *laissez-passer* issued by the European Union requires that the 'function' be indicated on page 4 of the *laissez-passer*. However, no official list of functions to be indicated has been adopted, leaving this matter open to interpretation by each institution.

Article 6 of the Protocol states that *laissez-passer* may be issued by the Presidents of each institution. Therefore, any request to indicate the official function of Member of the European Parliament on the *laissez-passer* must be addressed to the institution competent to issue them to Members of the European Parliament, namely the European Parliament.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32013R1417>.