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**Priority question for written answer P-002242/25
to the Commission
Daniel Obajtek (ECR)
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Subject: Concerns over the way in which the Green Deal is being implemented

Media reports indicate that Prime Minister Donald Tusk has been allowed to make statements that call the Green Deal into question. This would be deemed unacceptable from other leaders yet Ursula von der Leyen has deliberately not objected so as not to undermine Tusk. In addition, the publication of a CO₂ emissions reduction report that would portray Poland unfavourably has been postponed, despite the fact that it was meant to be announced in Q1.

1. Was the report postponed for political reasons?
2. Does the Commission apply the same standards to all Member State leaders?
3. What mechanisms are in place to tackle political favouritism?

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**Answer given by Mr Hoekstra on behalf of the European Commission
(1 July 2025)**

1. The Commission is not aware of any report entitled 'CO₂ emissions reduction report'. Most recently, on 28 May 2025, the Commission published an EU-wide assessment⁽¹⁾ of the final updated National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs) accompanied by a Staff Working Document⁽²⁾ with the individual assessment of 23 final updated NECPs submitted and evaluated to that date. Member States were due to submit these final updated NECPs by 30 June 2024, taking into account the Commission's recommendations on the draft updated NECPs. The Governance Regulation (EU) 2018/1999⁽³⁾ does not set a deadline for this assessment, therefore the Commission published it once most Member States submitted their final updated NECPs. To date, three Member States including Poland⁽⁴⁾ have not submitted their final updated NECPs. For this reason the Commission launched infringement procedures by sending to each of the concerned Member States a letter of formal notice on 14 November 2024, and subsequently a reasoned opinion on 12 March 2025. These procedures remain open.
2. The Commission applies uniform standards and criteria towards all Member States' representatives.
3. In line with the response to question 2, the Commission applies uniform standards and criteria towards all Member States and their representatives. The Commission's actions or failures to act are subject to control by the EU institutions, in particular the Court of Justice and the European Court of Auditors, in accordance with the Treaties.

⁽¹⁾ https://commission.europa.eu/publications/communication-delivering-unions-2030-energy-and-climate-objectives_en.

⁽²⁾ https://commission.europa.eu/publications/commission-staff-working-document-delivering-unions-2030-energy-and-climate-objectives_en.

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action, amending Regulations (EC) No 663/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Directives 94/22/EC, 98/70/EC, 2009/31/EC, 2009/73/EC, 2010/31/EU, 2012/27/EU and 2013/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Directives 2009/119/EC and (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 328, 21.12.2018, p. 1).

⁽⁴⁾ The case against Poland ref. INFR(2024)2260 and other pending infringement cases can be found in the following database: [https://ec.europa.eu/implementing-eu-law/search-infringement-decisions/?lang_code=en&langCode=EN&version=v1&typeOfSearch=byDecision&activeCase=true&legalBasis=32018R1999&page=1&size=10&order=desc&sortColumn=decisionDate&refId=INFR\(2024\)2260](https://ec.europa.eu/implementing-eu-law/search-infringement-decisions/?lang_code=en&langCode=EN&version=v1&typeOfSearch=byDecision&activeCase=true&legalBasis=32018R1999&page=1&size=10&order=desc&sortColumn=decisionDate&refId=INFR(2024)2260).