

Committee on Industry, Research and Energy Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs The Chairs

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Mr Bernd Lange Chair Conference of Committee Chairs

Dear Chair,

The Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection, the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety and the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, in accordance with Rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament, held a public confirmation hearing on 12 November 2024 with Mr Stéphane Séjourné, Executive Vice-President-designate, who, subject to the positive outcome of the nomination procedure, will be responsible for Prosperity and Industrial Strategy.

On 16 October 2024, our Committees, pursuant to Rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure and Article 3 of Annex VII thereto, received the letter from the Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs regarding the scrutiny of the declaration of interests of Mr Séjourné.

Prior to the confirmation hearing, Parliament had sent the Executive Vice-President-designate a list of written questions. Our Committees noted that Mr Séjourné answered those questions in a satisfactory manner.

The course of the confirmation hearing is described in the verbatim transcript of the proceedings, where the commitments made are reflected.

In accordance with Rule 129 of the Rules of Procedure and Article 5 of Annex VII thereto, the coordinators of our Committees, representing a large majority of at least two thirds of committee members belonging to a political group, agreed at their evaluation meeting of 20 November 2024 that Mr Séjourné is qualified to be a member of the College of Commissioners and to carry out the specific tasks assigned.

The opinions of the Committee on International Trade, the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Legal Affairs, invited to participate in the confirmation hearing, as well as the minority view of The Left, are annexed to this letter.

We would be grateful if you could bring this assessment to the attention of the Conference of Presidents.

Yours sincerely,

Borys BUDKA ITRE Chair Anna CAVAZZINI IMCO Chair

Antonio DECARO ENVI Chair

Aurore LALUCQ ECON Chair

cc: Bernd LANGE, Chair of the Committee on International Trade
Li ANDERSSON, Chair of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
Johan VAN OVERTVELDT, Chair of the Committee on Budgets
Ilhan KYUCHYUK, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs

Annexes:

- Minority view of The Left
- Opinions of INTA, EMPL, BUDG and JURI

THE LEFT MINORITY OPINION

The Left cannot support the candidate as he aims to implement an industrial policy that is not breaking away with market-based solutions, competitions and free trade dogmas. The track record of his government in France is terrible with currently 150 000 jobs at risk, despite billions given to multinational companies without any conditionalities. He has no sense of urgency as he has no connection with people undergoing these social bloodbaths. He didn't say anything against the Mercosur trade agreement.

He makes promises on ecology but the EU is shipping products from the other side of the planet and has abandoned entire industrial sectors such as solar panels to China.

He lacked to show a clear commitment for social and environmental conditionality in public procurement in order to move away from the lowest price award criterion approach and instead focus on the creation of quality jobs, respect of collective bargaining and to regulate subcontracting practices to prevent exploitation.

While acknowledging the dangers of hazardous chemicals no commitment to revise REACH or ban PFAS was taken. Likewise, on CBAM, circularity and decarbonisation, only vague non-answers were given.

We denounce the evaluation of Commissioners-designate based on backroom deals rather than proper parliamentary scrutiny.



Committee on International Trade The Chair

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Mr Borys BUDKA, Chair of ITRE Committee Ms Anna CAVAZZINI, Chair of IMCO Committee Mr Antonio DECARO, Chair of ENVI Committee Ms Aurore LALUCQ, Chair of ECON Committee

Dear Chairs,

The Committee on International Trade, invited to the confirmation hearing of Mr. Stéphane SÉJOURNÉ, Executive Vice-President - designate for Prosperity and Industrial Strategy, which took place on 12 November 2024, considers that the Executive Vice-President - designate is qualified to be member of the College and is qualified to carry out the particular duties he has been assigned in the areas falling to a substantial extent within the responsibility of the INTA Committee.

This opinion has been adopted by INTA Coordinators representing a large majority of the committee members belonging to a political group.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Bernd LANGE

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Chair

Committee on International Trade



Committee on Employment and Social Affairs The Chair

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Borys BUDKA Chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy SPINELLI 12E130

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Antonio DECARO Chair of the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety SPINELLI 15G306

Aurore LALUCQ Chair of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs SPINELLI 11G302

Dear Chairs,

The Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, invited to the confirmation hearing of Commissioner-designate for Prosperity and Industrial Strategy, Stéphane SÉJOURNÉ, which took place on Tuesday 12 November 2024, considers that the Commissioner-designate is qualified to be member of the College and is qualified to carry out the particular duties he has been assigned in the field of employment and social affairs, notably regarding the implementation of Net Zero Industry Act, the revision of the Public Procurement Directives and Clean Industrial Deal.

This opinion has been adopted by Coordinators representing a majority of committee members belonging to a political group.

I would like to thank you in advance for taking this opinion into consideration.

Li ANDERSSON

cc. Bernd Lange, Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs

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Committee on Budgets The Chairman

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Mr Borys Budka Chair of ITRE Committee

Ms Anna Cavazzini Chair of IMCO Committee

Mr Antonio Decaro Chair of ENVI Committee

Ms Aurore Lalucq Chair of ECON Committee

Subject: BUDG Assessment of Executive Vice-President-Designate for Prosperity and Industrial Strategy, Stéphane Séjourné

The Committee on Budgets, invited to the confirmation hearing of Commissioner-designate Séjourné, which took place on 12 November, considers that the Commissioner-designate is qualified to be member of the College and is qualified to carry out the particular duties he has been assigned in the field of industry, notably the development of the European Competitiveness Fund.

This opinion has been adopted by Coordinators representing at least a simple majority of committee members belonging to a political group.

Yours sincerely,

Johan Van Overtveldt

Chair of the BUDG Committee

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Committee on Legal Affairs
The Chair

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Mr Borys Budka Chair of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy European Parliament SPINELLI 12E130

Ms Anna Cavazzini Chair of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection European Parliament SPINELLI 05F366

Subject: Opinion of the JURI Committee concerning the Executive Vice-Presidentdesignate Stéphane Séjourné following the assessment meeting of the JURI Coordinators

Dear Chairs.

The Committee on Legal Affairs, invited to the confirmation hearing of the Executive Vice-President-designate Mr Stéphane Séjourné, which took place on 12 November 2024, considers that the Executive Vice-President-designate is qualified to be a member of the College and is qualified to carry out the particular duties that he has been assigned in the field of those parts of his portfolio on Prosperity and Industrial Strategy which fall to a substantial extent within the responsibility of the Committee on Legal Affairs.

This opinion has been adopted by the Coordinators representing at least a simple majority of committee members belonging to a political group.

Yours sincerely,

Ilhan KYUCHYUK

Copy: Mr Bernd Lange, Chair of the Conference of Committee Chairs

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