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Petition No. 0429/2017 on the compliance of the European Central Bank with the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

Honourable Member of the European Parliament, dear

in an answer of the ECB that was triggered by the Petition No 0429/2017 the ECB refers to a letter the ECB-President wrote to you in 11 May 2017. In this letter he states, that "The ECB fully complies with current regulations ...". This is wrong and therefore the answer to you is nonsense. The ECB did never comply with the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights since its establishment and will not change that, until the European Parliament forces the ECB to do so. Compliance with this Charter is the most fundamental regulation for the ECB as well as for all other European institutions. If the ECB-President would care about this regulation, he could implement it immediately, as it is current legislation that has to be applied.

In the answer to my petition, the ECB shows, that the impact of their actions is fully clear to them. They state that their "... programme has made a positive contribution to funding climate-related projects through its purchases of green bonds in monetary policy portfolios." So they also know, that their actions also make negative contributions to all points of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights, which is proofed by my petition no 0429/2017. The answer of the ECB does even not give any statement to the main point of the petition: Their compliance with the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights.

I would be very happy, if you could discuss this point in parliament to bring change for the sake of the European people.

Yours sincerely,

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