

**Question for written answer E-002917/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 144

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Subject: Worrying statements regarding national courts by the Commissioner for Democracy, Justice and the Rule of Law

At his hearing on 5 November 2024, the Commissioner for Democracy, Justice and the Rule of Law replied to a question on the primacy of EU law saying that ‘national courts are also EU courts’.

1. Can the Commissioner comment further on this?
2. Does the Commission regard national courts and tribunals as mere implementers of EU legislation and case-law which is intended to protect the EU legal order from the national legal orders?
3. Does the Commission believe that national legal orders exist alongside – and not merely beneath – the EU legal order?

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