

**Question for written answer E-013395/2013
to the Council
Rule 117
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Subject: Access to the US position papers on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)

According to verified reports, the US has submitted certain position papers to the Commission relating to the ongoing negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, which the US has reportedly said must not be forwarded to the Member States. According to verified reports, the Council has not yet been allowed to see these position papers. What is the Council's view of this?