

**Question for written answer E-006052/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Mussel labelling

The Regulatory Council of the Galician Mussel (*Consejo Regulador del Mejillón de Galicia*), the only protected designation of origin (PDO) for marine products, has informed me of its concern that EU legislation does not entail an obligation to inform consumers of the species and origin of the processed or preserved mussel products.

In this sense, among other legislative measures, they urge the development of the precautionary measures contained in Article 26 of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011 regarding the mandatory indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for ingredients that represent more than 50% of a food. According to the aforementioned regulation, this legislative development should occur before 13 December 2014.

In view of the repeated reports of fraudulent labelling and misleading consumers, could the European Commission clarify the current legislative situation and state whether or not it has plans for any future legislative developments in this area?