

**Question for written answer E-007392/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Parallel exports of medicines

The phenomenon of parallel exports of medicines - the so-called 'parallel trade'- in more profitable markets is causing quotas to be established and the consequent shortage of many medicines: this poses a very serious threat to the health of citizens, who in some cases are even forced to discontinue treatment.

1. Does the Commission believe that a possible solution could be the adoption of a uniform price in Europe in order to avoid disparities being created between the various markets?

2. In this context, would it be in favour of giving fresh political impetus to ensure the adoption of the Directive on the transparency of the price of medicines, which is still blocked pending a Council decision?