

**Question for written answer E-011274/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Commission position on withdrawal of Smart Borders Package?

On 3 December, the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs interviewed Commissioner Avramopoulos, the Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship.

During that interview, Mr Avramopoulos announced that the Smart Borders Package was to be withdrawn. That legislative package was proposed by his predecessor, Ms Malmström, in February 2013 and, according to her, was designed to make life easier for frequent travellers within the Schengen Area. It provided for a traveller registration scheme and an entry/exit system.

However, following the Commission's presentation of its work programme for 2015, the full list of proposed withdrawals set out in Annex II does not include the Smart Borders Package.

That being so, could the Commission clarify its work programme and tell me what the Commission's exact position is on the Smart Borders Package and whether or not has been withdrawn?