Question for written answer E-000880/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Ivan Jakovčić (ALDE)

Subject: TTIP and culture

It is well known that the EU and the USA are engaged in intensive negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP). This future agreement will contain provisions to determine the status of goods and services in the culture sector and other related areas.

As I have always been an advocate of linguistic diversity, I am concerned by the possible negative effects that this will have for European goods and services.

Given the enormous linguistic diversity existing in the EU – as opposed to the monolingual USA – could the Commission say how it will defend the linguistic and other diversities of European cultural goods and services?

1047118.EN PE 547.843