Question for written answer E-001078/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Afzal Khan (S&D)

Subject: Ban on Indian mangoes

The Commission's proposal to lift the import ban on mango fruits from India was very much welcome. The decision to ban the imports, although taken to ensure EU bio-security and protect European biodiversity from harmful insects and pests, had a negative effect on farmers in India and on many consumers and small businesses in the EU.

- 1. What measures is the Commission going to take to prevent this from happening again?
- 2. Is the Commission going to assist India in strengthening its own pest-eradication processes?

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