

**Question for written answer E-002185/2015
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Creation of specific compensation funds in relation to new trade agreements with third countries

On 22 January 2015 the Catalanian Parliament adopted a motion regarding the agreement on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership – commonly known as the TTIP – between the European Union and the United States.

The motion calls on the European Commission to create specific compensation funds for those groups that find themselves most affected by the trade agreements that the EU enters into, along the lines of the existing European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGAF). In addition, measures are proposed to monitor and follow up these new trade agreements during their first ten years of being in force.

Furthermore, the motion stresses the need for the negotiations to be conducted with the greatest possible transparency.

1. Does the Commission intend to create compensation funds for groups that find themselves affected by the new trade agreements that the EU enters into?
2. What monitoring and follow-up measures does the Commission intend to adopt if a trade agreement is signed with the USA?
3. Will the Commission permit open access to the state of negotiations of the TTIP?