

**Question for written answer E-002751/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Is the Customs Files Identification Database (FIDE) operational?

In accordance with the 2007 EU Regulation on the fight against money laundering, the Belgian financial intelligence processing unit receives Belgian customs minutes concerning the entry into Belgian territory of persons in possession of more than EUR 10 000 in cash.

The Union should have established a database (Customs Files Identification Database) containing all violations of customs legislation on its territory.

This is obviously a valuable tool in the fight against money laundering.

Could the Commission clarify the role of this tool, say whether it is operational and describe the resources allocated for its development?