Question for written answer E-003351/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Davor Ivo Stier (PPE)

Subject: Reshoring of EU industries

The economic crisis and a shortage of jobs in the EU, together with rising costs in formerly low-cost countries, has made bringing manufacturing back to the EU a top priority. For example, China was once the top destination of offshoring EU production. However, labour costs have risen in China in the meantime, as well as transport costs, and there are significant issues with product quality and intellectual property rights. Despite the rising costs, labour discontent and a government that is less friendly towards foreign companies, there is little evidence of reshoring from China.

- 1. What is the Commission doing to incentivise the reshoring of EU industries?
- 2. Can we expect a Communication and a proposal of an incentive system which would make the reshoring of EU manufacturing more attractive for businesses?

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