

**Question for written answer E-003607/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Illegal ivory trade

Considering the tremendous growth of the illegal ivory trade and the losses of human lives caused by local bands of poachers in Africa, the poaching of elephants and rhinos must be urgently and seriously addressed.

What is the Commission doing to support the monitoring of domestic ivory markets by African states and to encourage the financing of wildlife management authorities?

Is the Commission planning to take action to educate consumers in order to stem the demand for ivory?