

**Question for written answer E-006104/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Perishable fruit in the next summer season

The average price of European-grown fruit and vegetables is currently well below its levels in previous years. The main reason is the impossibility of exporting the large quantities of produce previously destined for the Russian market. The summer growing season for fruit such as peaches and nectarines is about to begin, and will be affected by the Russian prohibition of imports of European agrifoods.

- What measures is the Commission planning to take, in order to cushion the impact of the Russian ban for European farmers in the coming season, with special regard to the most perishable produce?
- Does the Commission have any programme of aid to farmers, to provide them with liquidity in such cases?
- In this case, what practical means may derive from the memorandum of understanding signed between the Commission and the EIB?