

**Question for written answer E-008008/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Political espionage at the Commission

The number of espionage scandals has been steadily increasing in recent years. No one, from ordinary members of the public to senior executives and high-ranking officials, or even heads of state, can be sure that they are not being spied on.

Organisations or businesses can protect themselves against political or industrial espionage by using programmes to encrypt communications or to prevent Internet tracking.

What special procedures, if any, has the Commission introduced to protect itself as far as possible against political espionage?