

**Question for written answer E-008528/2015/rev.1
to the Commission**
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Subject: Possible free trade negotiations with New Zealand

New Zealand is one of very few countries in the world with which the EU has no preferential trade agreement, nor any negotiations to this effect.

Following the Joint Declaration of 25 March 2014¹ the EU and New Zealand launched a reflection process on ways of advancing the trade and economic relationship, including the parameters for the possible launch of negotiations to further liberalise trade and investment between the EU and New Zealand.

What is the current stage of this reflection process, and what results have been achieved so far? By when is it expected to be concluded?

¹ Joint declaration by President Van Rompuy, President Barroso and Prime Minister Key on deepening the partnership between New Zealand and the European Union http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_STATEMENT-14-83_en.htm