## Question for written answer E-008568/2015 to the Commission

**Rule 130** 

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Subject: Slave labour and corruption connected with the 2022 Football World Cup in Qatar

The construction of the facilities for the 2022 World Cup in Qatar has been denounced as a result of the slave labour conditions to which migrant workers are being subjected, which have already cost the lives of over 1 000 people.

The decision to award the 2022 World Cup to Qatar has also been shrouded by ongoing allegations of corruption, and the fact that several senior FIFA officials have recently been arrested, including two of its vice-presidents, bears witness to this.

Under these circumstances, and bearing in mind Commissioner Tibor Navracsics's call for greater transparency in the investigations and the European Parliament's condemnation of the situation of migrant workers in Qatar (2013/2952(RSP)),

- 1. Is the Commission in favour of relaunching the bidding process for the 2022 World Cup, as the Council of Europe has already suggested, in view of the ongoing irregularities?
- 2. How will the Commission make sure that all European businesses involved in this work comply with internationally accepted labour conditions?
- 3. Will the Commission be exerting its influence on UEFA so as to put pressure on FIFA to be more transparent in its investigations into the process for awarding host cities and its investigations against the abusive conditions to which workers are being subjected?

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