Question for written answer E-009753/2015 to the Commission

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Subject: Cooperation agreements on tobacco

The European Union and its Member States have signed cooperation agreements with four tobacco companies: Philip Morris International (PMI), Japan Tobacco International (JTI), Imperial Tobacco Limited (ITL) and British American Tobacco (BAT).

As the agreement with Philip Morris expires in July 2016, a meeting is needed to determine whether or not the agreement can be extended.

In 2014, the Parliament asked the Commission, in the 2012 annual report on the protection of the European Union financial interests and in the report on discharge in respect of the implementation of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2012–section III, to gather assessments of this agreement concerning the results obtained, whether such results are positive or negative.

- 1. When will the Commission provide the results obtained under the agreements with the tobacco multinationals?
- 2. What is the status of the negotiations with Philip Morris?
- 3. Has the Commission already decided on a schedule and procedures?

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