

**Question for written answer E-009860/2015  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: The tuna trade

The Spanish National Association of Manufacturers of Canned Fish (Anfaco) has publicly stated that, according to its estimates, 85% of the tuna that is processed outside EU borders infringes EU laws. If that is true, it means that EU businesses are having to face grossly unfair competition from companies in non-member countries which place their products on the EU market (50% of the canned tuna consumed in Europe is imported). This is having a direct impact on business and employment in the sector in Europe, not to mention the impact on the product purchased by consumers.

Is the Commission aware of these estimates and what are its thoughts on the matter? What measures is the Commission taking to prevent the marketing of canned tuna that is in breach of EU laws?