

**Question for written answer E-012328/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Milk price agreement in France

This summer, in response to the crisis facing dairy farmers, the French dairy sector, with the Ministry of Agriculture at its head, reached an agreement providing for measures setting the average minimum price of milk at EUR 0.34 per litre at point of origin. The purpose of the agreement was to set prices at a level that allowed producers to cover production costs.

Given the price crisis affecting dairy farmers in Spain, and the doubts expressed concerning this agreement by the Spanish National Commission for Markets and Competition:

What is the Commission's view of the French price agreement? Does it consider the agreement to be in accordance with EU rules? If so, will it promote such measures at Europe-wide level?