

Question for written answer E-013558/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: China's market economy status

An increase in manufactured imports from the People's Republic of China and the degree of state involvement in the economy could potentially put extra pressure on businesses in the European Union, putting hundreds of thousands of European jobs at risk.

With reference to the answer to Written Question E-006250-15, has the Commission made any progress in its assessment of the 'implications of the expiration (in December 2016) of certain provisions of the Protocol'?

Hence, before the consultation with the Council and Parliament¹, what assurances can the Commission give beyond the scope of the trade defence instruments that China's market economy status will not jeopardise up to 3.5 million jobs across the EU as has been claimed in a report by the Economic Policy Institute²?

¹ Written Questions E-006205-14, E-010822-15, E-010823-15, E-008525-15 and P-011092-15

² Written Question E-006250-15