

**Question for written answer E-001047/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
Cătălin Sorin Ivan (S&D)

Subject: Decreasing roaming charges

As of 16 April 2016, all mobile phone companies in the European Union will have to enter an intermediate stage to decrease roaming charges and finally abolish them starting on 15 June 2017.

There have been rumours in the press that certain telecommunication operators in the European Union are considering strategies which would allow them to add extra charges for various additional services in order to recover the losses caused by the new legislation being in force.

1. What measures will the Commission take if the mobile phone companies do not observe the protocol?
2. What position will the Commission adopt if the mobile phone companies consider strategies which would allow them to add extra charges?