

**Question for written answer E-003720/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: REFIT of Regulations 1071/2009 and 1072/2009 (cabotage rules)

On 13 November 2015, at a meeting with truck drivers in Rotterdam, a Commission representative provided information about the Commission's plans regarding cabotage. After the publication of the REFIT assessment of the existing rules on cabotage, the Commission would first initiate a public consultation exercise, after which it would submit proposals for amending these regulations.

1. Can the Commission confirm that the public consultation exercise has still not begun and if so, when can we expect the consultation to be completed?
2. In the light of the above, when does the Commission expect to submit proposals for amending the regulations?
3. What measures will the Commission take in the intervening period to tackle abuse of cabotage rules?