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Subject: Impact on jobs in Europe of granting China market economy status

According to our information, informal data used by DG Trade equates the potential impact of granting China market economy to a loss of between 63 600 and 211 000 jobs in sectors currently protected by anti-dumping measures against China, taking account of indirect consequences including positive and negative spill-over effects.

There are, however, methodologies that produce more accurate estimates of indirect job losses in de-industrialisation scenarios, considering the way in which businesses are currently structured – outsourcing of non-strategic functions, basic, specialised and high-value-added services and labour subcontracting with a view to increasing flexibility.

Can the Commission therefore say whether management at DG EMPL are aware of and have disseminated the results of DG Trade's employment assessment of the impact of the possible granting of market economy status to China and whether they were involved if it? Has DG EMPL conducted an impact assessment of its own and, if so, what are the results?