Question for written answer E-004377/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 Sorin Moisă (S&D)

Subject: Anti-corruption and the modernisation of the trade pillar of the EU-Mexico Global

Agreement

In its communication 'Trade for all', the Commission has announced its intention to systematically include anti-corruption provisions in all trade and investment agreements, an approach which has received broad support in Parliament. On 30 May 2016, EU Trade Commissioner Cecilia Malmström and Mexico's finance minister, Ildefonso Guajardo Villarreal, announced the start of new negotiations aimed at modernising the EU-Mexico Global Agreement.

1. Does the Commission intend to address anti-corruption as part of the future negotiations with Mexico? If so, how?

2. According to a study commissioned by Parliament on 'The Impact of Financial Services in EU Free Trade and Association Agreements on Money Laundering, Tax Evasion and Elusion', despite recent efforts to fight money laundering Mexico remains one of the main sources of illicit financial outflows worldwide. Does the Commission intend to address this issue and its link to trade as part of the future negotiations with Mexico?

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