

**Question for written answer E-006941/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: No action plan for the Arctic

The European Parliament resolution of 12 March 2014 asked the Commission and the High Representative to prepare 'a coherent [Arctic] strategy and a concretised action plan on the EU's engagement on the Arctic, with a focus on socio-economic and environmental issues...'. The new Arctic Communication has respected the focus requested by Parliament, but the document is not a strategy and is not accompanied by an action plan.

Can the Commission and the High Representative explain why?