

**Question for written answer E-007290/2016
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Ban on working in lobbying sector for former Commissioners

For some time now, Parliament has been engaging in efforts to reform the rules on transparency in EU institutions and to restrict former MEPs' ability to work in the lobbying sector. These efforts coincided, inter alia, with the recruitment of the former President of the Commission, José Manuel Barroso, by Goldman Sachs, which undermined the authority of the European institutions.

In these context, does the Commission plan to come forward with proposals for new rules that would reduce the risk of conflicts of interest in the work of Commissioners and extend the period in which former Commissioners are banned from working in the lobbying sector?