

**Question for written answer E-009631/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Galileo

On 17 November 2016, four new satellites for the Galileo European navigation system were launched. Now with a 'constellation' of 15 functioning satellites, the Galileo system entered into service on 15 December 2016.

1. Can the Commission say when the first Galileo signals will be fully operational, so that all citizens will be able to use this new radio navigation system?
2. Given that current radio navigation tools are mainly equipped with GPS systems, does the Commission intend to impose Galileo as the principal navigation system for tools produced and used in Europe?
3. If so, what is the Commission's strategy for replacing GPS with Galileo in tools which use radio navigation?