

**Question for written answer E-000036/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Discrimination in the furniture sector

The Government of Extremadura recently approved a 'household furniture renovation plan' under which the Regional Government will subsidise 25% of the value of each item of furniture, provided it was bought in a shop which is located in the Community of Extremadura and signed up to the plan. This could give rise to discrimination between European consumers.

1. Does the Commission believe that this measure may constitute state aid to certain enterprises?
2. Does the Commission consider that this plan may be in breach of the consumer's right to choose other sales models, such as electronics?
3. Does the Commission have any plans to revitalise the European craft furniture industry ?