

**Question for written answer E-000233/2017
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Freezing temperatures

Europe's gas consumption has recently increased significantly as a result of the extreme cold, giving rise to problems with the natural gas supply system in many places. This period might serve as a kind of stress test for the EU's security of supply.

What lessons can the Commission take from these recent events in terms of security of supply? What changes would it recommend to EU legislation as a result?

Does the Commission consider the amount of gas held in Europe's storage facilities to be adequate? Would the amount of stored gas be sufficient in the event of a major breakdown of supply?