

**Question for written answer E-000333/2017  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Intercompany relationships and internet platforms

With a view to examining more closely the problems raised in the public consultation regarding fairness in B2B relationships and possible corrective tools, in its May 2016 Communication entitled 'Online Platforms and the Digital Single Market – Opportunities and Challenges for Europe', the Commission stated that it would carry out a fact-finding exercise on B2B practices in the online platform environment. Furthermore, the Commission undertook to determine by spring 2017 whether the European Union needs to adopt additional measures in this field.

Could the Commission indicate what steps have been taken in this regard? Has a conclusion been reached as regards the presentation of the complementary actions mentioned?