

**Question for written answer E-002291/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Follow-up to question E-006709/2015

In his answer to question for written answer E-006709/2015, on behalf of the Commission, Mr Hogan stated that 'The Commission is currently examining whether the information brought to the Commission's attention, and registered under the Commission complaints application (CHAP), on the implementation of certain direct payments provisions by Spain raises any concerns as regards compliance with EU law, and in particular with Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013'. Given that a new complaint has been lodged on fraudulent payments in Spain to people who are not farmers:

- What conclusions has the Commission reached regarding the information supplied on the application of certain provisions of direct payments by Spain?
- In the event that it has opened up discussions with the Spanish authorities, does the Commission consider the requirements laid down in Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 to have been met?
- What steps has the Commission taken to prevent this type of case taking place in the EU?