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to the Commission**

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Subject: 328 000 jobs in the European steel industry threatened by Chinese dumping

Europe, the second-largest steel producer in the world, accounting for 10 % of the market (170 million tonnes annually), is being hit particularly hard by the cheap steel produced in China, which accounts for 50 % of world production.

Global surpluses, which reached a historic high of 737 million tonnes in 2016, have sent steel prices plummeting by 40 % since the beginning of the decade, thereby imperilling the European steel sector, which has an annual turnover of EUR166 billion.¹

What measures has the Commission taken to protect European jobs in this sector over the last 10 years? Why have they proved unsuccessful?

¹ Statistics: Agence Europe, 1 December 2017