

**Question for written answer E-004503/2018
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: End of anti-dumping measures on imports of solar panels from China

In 2013, the EU introduced anti-dumping and anti-subsidy measures on imports from China of solar cells and panels which it was shown were being sold at less than their production cost and were impacting on the competitiveness of the European solar cell industry.

Chinese manufacturers and the Commission agreed a minimum import price (MIP) in December 2013. On 31 August the Commission announced the measures would end, and they expired on 3 September.

The Commission adduced arguments such as the EU's renewable energy targets and the decrease in component costs to justify the withdrawal of the measures. Bearing these in mind, could it state whether it conducted an assessment of the impact the measures had on the EU's solar panel industry, and of the impact of their withdrawal. If so, could it please forward the results.