

**Question for written answer E-004741/2018**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Addressing labour dumping by Ryanair

The Commission expressed one of Juncker's priorities in the State of the Union Address 2017, stating that 'in a Union of equals, there can be no second class citizens. Workers should earn the same pay for the same work in the same place.' This is something that, we suppose, is reflected in the Posting of Workers Directive, among other regulations.

Yet there are companies, among which Ryanair is a prime example, which baulk at abandoning their labour dumping practices in order to enhance their profit margins.

On 25 and 26 July, the airline's cabin crew held a strike in several Member States, despite obstruction of the exercise of this right by the management, to demand improvements in working conditions and the 'explicit recognition of the national law and jurisdiction of the country in which a worker is based'. The company has threatened to abandon its operations in Spain if it is prevented from applying Irish working conditions.

How will the Commission address these practices which not only violate the principles underpinning the aforementioned Directive, but also the labour legislation of the States to whose bases the cabin crew belong?