

**Question for written answer E-005145/2018
to the Commission**

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Subject: Inclusion in the FPMT of the supply chains of coffee, cocoa and tea to increase transparency in these sectors

The Food Price Monitoring Tool (FPMT) was created to improve the accessibility of statistical data on prices at successive stages of a number of food supply chains, while increasing transparency along the chain. The tool reports important indicators on developments for agricultural commodity prices, producer prices, consumer prices and import prices. Currently, only 15 supply chains are covered.

Europe is the world's largest importer, processor and consumer of coffee and cocoa, as well as a major importer of tea. However, extreme poverty, malnutrition, child labour and slave labour are common in the production of these products. The Commission has committed to supporting the SDGs and to improving transparency and traceability within sectors such as coffee, cocoa and tea, and on 26 September 2018 the President of Honduras, His Excellency Mr Juan Orlando Hernández Alvarado, expressed at the UN General Assembly his deep concerns about the unfairness with which coffee producers are treated.

Taking into account the above, and also Written Questions E-007124-17, P-001936-18 and E-003733-18, could the Commission include in the FPMT the supply chains of coffee, cocoa and tea to increase transparency in these sectors?