

**Question for written answer P-011664/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Dairy sector intervention

While the extension of the intervention deadline in the dairy sector is welcome, the current intervention price is not sufficient. The current intervention price stands at EUR 0.21 per litre, yet the production cost is approximately EUR 0.25 per litre. The Commission has a legal duty to monitor and, where necessary adjust, intervention prices or 'reference thresholds' based on production costs and market conditions.

Can the Commission outline its position on the matter?

When will it review the reference thresholds?

Given the collapse in the price of dairy products, what measures will the Commission take to stimulate the markets?