Question for written answer P-014096/2015 to the Commission Rule 130

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Subject: Application of EU road transport rules: information exchange systems and the establishment of a European Agency for the Commercial Transport of Goods by Road

Failure to apply properly the rules on cabotage and on access to the occupation of road transport operator is helping to encourage various unlawful forms of competition as well as social dumping and the growth of 'letterbox companies'. The problem could be addressed by beefing up national electronic registers of road transport undertakings (NERs) and the European Registers of Road Transport Undertakings (ERRU), by instituting exchanges of information between the authorities responsible for roadside checks and these registers, and by establishing a European Agency for the Commercial Transport of Goods by Road.

Would the Commission therefore consider:

- requiring that the information held in the NERs and the ERRU be more extensive so that comprehensive data on transport operators, vehicles and their drivers can be gathered in roadside checks;
- introducing 'electronic compliance files' on all operators, using the data gathered in roadside checks, and thereby enabling national authorities to enforce the rules on cabotage, drivers' rights and access to the occupation of road transport operator – cross-checking the data with those in the NERs and ERRU and on the IMI¹ platform – and to total up infringements of the rules by operating companies and their subsidiaries;
- 3. establishing a European Agency for the Commercial Transport of Goods by Road to supervise the exchanging of information and ensure that the rules are applied?

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Platform for the exchange between national authorities of information about posted workers