

**Question for written answer P-007462/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: EU-Mercosur: State-owned companies

The Report from the XXXth round of negotiations of the Trade Part of the Association Agreement between the European Union and Mercosur mentions that state-owned enterprises were discussed during negotiations, but does not go into detail. As the Brazilian Government led by Michel Temer is currently under investigation for corruption charges, any privatisation of public assets under an illegitimate government could also be illegitimate.

What position has the Commission taken in the negotiations?

Can it confirm that with respect to government procurement, it will not demand liberalisation at sub-federal level?

Will the Sustainable Development chapter have an enforceable mechanism, and will it contain performance requirements and obligations for companies?