

**Question for written answer P-000419/2018/rev.1  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Milk powder from public intervention stocks

In an attempt to resolve the 2015-2016 dairy crisis, the Commission used the public intervention tools provided for in Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 and has ended up with large stocks of skimmed milk powder, putting pressure on the market and milk prices.

According to the EU Milk Market Observatory, some 378 578 tonnes of skimmed milk powder are currently being stored, equivalent to 700 000 tonnes of milk.

Under the above regulation, the Commission is required to ensure that products bought into public intervention are disposed of without disrupting the market in any way and with a view to their being made available to the most deprived persons in the Union.

1. What measures is the Commission planning to take to dispose of the milk powder stored under public intervention?
2. Will the Commission undertake to find new outlets for the stocks, so that the market is not disrupted any further?