Question for written answer E-006028/2013 to the Commission Rule 117 Mathieu Grosch (PPE)

Subject: Solar panels imported from China

In September 2012, the Commission launched an anti-dumping inquiry into solar panels imported from China.

As the Commission is doubtless aware, many of the 2013 consignments relate to orders dating back almost nine months.

Many of the companies concerned have concluded prevailing market price contracts exempt from anti-dumping duty.

- Is the Commission taking any action in response to this situation, which will drive companies to bankruptcy and prove harmful to their potential clients? If so, what action is it taking?
- Following the entry into force on 6 March 2013 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2013, the customs authorities are seeking to impose a number of import duties being envisaged by the Commission. Does the Commission consider such 'preventive duties' to be in accordance with current EU law?

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