

**Question for written answer E-002669/2014
to the Commission**
Rule 117
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Subject: Geographical indication schemes

A number of Scottish agricultural products, for example Stornaway black pudding, currently benefit from EU geographical indication (GI) schemes. Against this background, could the Commission clarify the following:

Should Scotland vote to leave the UK, would Scottish GIs, which are currently protected within the EU, continue to enjoy this protection?

Would those Scottish GIs which also enjoy protection in non-EU countries through the EU's bilateral trade agreements continue to enjoy protection under such trade agreements if Scotland were to vote for independence?