Question for written answer E-002670/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 George Lyon (ALDE)

Subject: Geographical indication protection for Scottish tartan

The Commission has carried out a number of studies, as well as a public consultation on 22 April 2013, on the question of geographical indication protection for non-agricultural products.

What conclusions have been drawn by the Commission and what further action is proposed to protect distinct regional products, such as Scottish tartan, from copyright infringement or misrepresentations?

Can the Commission also provide any statistics on the estimated global trade in tartan produced outside Scotland?

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