

**Question for written answer E-005049/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 117

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Subject: Food fraud involving deep-frozen fish

Further to my previous question (E-001373/2014) on food fraud involving deep-frozen fish, I have a number of supplementary questions. The Commission stated that it was aware of the problem and was actively seeking to solve it. Its answer did not go into details, however, prompting further questions.

The Commission stated that it was holding discussions on the validation of a standardised method for the detection of added water in deep-frozen fish. What does that standardised method entail?

What is the timeframe for developing the method for detecting added water in fishery products?

Are rules being developed to combat such food fraud? Are they being developed along similar lines to the existing rules for chicken fillets?