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to the Commission**

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Subject: Unfair labour practices in Asia shrimp farms

According to a report by Fairfood International, published on 8 April 2015 and not yet refuted, shrimp farms in Asia are employing labour at well below real wages (EUR 8 per worker per day) and under unacceptable labour conditions according to EU standards (60 hours per week). According to the report, shrimp produced under these conditions is exported to the European market through identified distributors and brands in large commercial units, such as Lidl, ALDI, Plus and Jumbo. In addition to the abusive treatment of workers in Asia, these commercial practices pose unfair competition to European companies and workers. Is the Commission aware of this report?

Which measures will it take in order to guarantee the fair treatment of workers who supply the European market?