

**Question for written answer E-001357/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Fall in oil prices

Although crude oil prices have fallen further than ever before, the price at the pump has not fallen with them. Even allowing for excise duties and the cost of producing petroleum products, consumer prices are clearly not following crude oil price trends and appear to be being set artificially.

Does the Commission believe that oil companies and refiners are colluding in setting artificial prices for the consumer?