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to the Commission**

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Subject: Situation with China and amendment of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 on anti-dumping measures

On 12 December 2016, China submitted a request to the World Trade Organization (WTO) for consultations on the measures relating to the price-comparison methodologies used by the EU in Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union. In its request, China also reserves the right to raise claims in relation to any amendment of the Regulation, for which there are currently two pending legislative proposals for amendments.

China also submitted a similar request against regulation by the United States.

Japan, Canada, Russia and Australia have also requested to join the consultations opened by China.

Bearing in mind that China still does not meet the five criteria established by the EU to be considered a 'market economy', and given the uncertainty around application of the guidelines that apply within the WTO while these claims are resolved:

Does the Commission think that it would be logical to wait for China's two complaints to the WTO to be resolved before making any amendments to the price-comparison methodologies used by the EU in Regulation (EU) 2016/1036?