

**Question for written answer E-003378/2018
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Use of palm oil and its by-products in the biofuel industry

The use of palm oil and its by-products in the biofuel industry raises a number of questions. Such production is neither environmentally friendly nor helpful in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Progress in the production of biofuels is necessary in order to ensure full compliance with environmental requirements and standards.

What steps does the Commission intend to take to prohibit the importation of non-compliant agricultural products, in particular palm oil used by biomass processing plants, into the EU and to ensure fair competition? Can the Commission provide data on the damage that EU farmers have suffered due to imported palm oil?

Does the Commission intend to take steps to ban the use of palm oil in the biofuel production process?