

Question for written answer E-005570/2018
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Eradication of child labour and forced labour

According to figures published by the International Labour Organisation in September 2017, 218 million children aged between 5 and 17 are in employment worldwide, including 152 million victims of child labour, of whom 73 million, almost half, do hazardous work.

In line with its values, the European Union is committed to eradicating child labour and human trafficking.

The European Parliament has repeatedly condemned child labour. On 30 May 2018, in its annual report on the implementation of the Common Commercial Policy, Parliament called on the Commission to bring forward a proposal banning the importation of goods produced using child labour or any other form of forced labour or modern slavery.

What action is the Commission taking at international level to eradicate child labour and what are its current goals?

When will the proposal banning the importation of goods produced using child labour or any other form of forced labour or modern slavery be submitted?

What initiatives will be launched in the future with a view to eradicating child labour and forced labour?