Question for written answer E-000682/2019 to the Commission Rule 130 Bogdan Andrzej Zdrojewski (PPE)

Subject: Promoting the Galileo and Copernicus systems in agreements with third countries

On behalf of all the Member States, the Commission is currently negotiating a number of trade and partnership agreements, including with Australia and New Zealand. The agreements are a good opportunity to promote the use of European technologies, including satellite technologies.

Both the Copernicus Earth observation system and the Galileo positioning system have huge potential to support many sectors of the economy, not only in Europe, but also in countries that do not have their own autonomous systems with similar objectives.

In the light of the foregoing:

Are European satellite systems services being covered in the trade and partnership talks with partner countries? Is the Commission promoting those systems in the context of documents under discussion concerning bilateral economic relations?

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