## Question for written answer E-004892/2020 to the Commission Rule 138

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Subject: Blacklisting firms over China's treatment of Uyghurs

On 20 July, the United States Department of Commerce added 11 Chinese companies to the US economic blacklist for their complicity in human rights violations related to the treatment of Uyghurs in Xinjiang in western China. The US has now cited 37 companies and others involved in China's repression in Xinjiang.

## In light of this:

- 1. Is the Commission aware of products imported from China which have been produced through human rights abuses of the Uyghur people?
- 2. What action is DG Trade proposing against companies, organisations and individuals, be they European or Chinese, which are complicit in human rights abuses against the Uyghur community in China?
- 3. In line with Commissioner Reynders' proposed policies for transparent supply chain audits, will the Commission consider drawing up an economic blacklist to help European businesses identify foreign entities involved in human rights abuses?