

**Question for written answer E-001974/2022
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Italian and EU manufacturers penalised in the wake of Regulation (EU) 328/2022

Because of the war in Ukraine, and in accordance with Regulation (EU) 328/2022, 'the sale, supply, transfer or export of (...) goods and technology (...) for military use or for military end users' from the European Union to Russia is now prohibited.

In particular, and according to the list in Annex VII thereto, if centrifugal pumps used in irrigating fields (code 841370) are powered by diesel motors or tractors, they would fall under the export ban because they could be considered as potential war materials.

In fact, on the basis of the Regulation, they would be considered as integral components of the tractor or diesel motor, instead of as self-standing hydraulic machines, or simple accessories for agricultural machinery that are powered by means of a cardan shaft.

In addition, and once more on the basis of current regulations, should these same pumps be powered by electric motors then these restrictions would no longer apply, allowing their fair sale to Russia.

In light of the above, what action will the Commission take to resolve the inconsistency between the different power transmission methods and ensure that the measures taken do not penalise Italian and EU manufacturers?