

**Question for written answer E-003955/2022  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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**Subject:** Manufacturing of steel cans for food products – problematic relations with China

The EU's steel can industry, which has already been sorely tested by the pandemic and economic crisis, has now been further hit by the increase in sales on the EU market of finished products from China.

Finished products such as solid and tear lids, crown caps and screw tops actually benefit from state aid for exports in China, which makes the final sales price significantly lower than for European-manufactured products.

We want to avoid EU manufacturers having to suspend their operations as they are no longer profitable just because of the way that finished products from China are being marketed, which is liable to jeopardise this EU industry.

In light of the above, can the Commission state:

1. Whether an anti-dumping duty might also be introduced on finished products from China such as solid and tear lids, crown caps and screw tops?
2. Whether it does not feel that the scope of certain regulations already in full use, such as Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2247, should be extended to cover finished products from China?

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