

**Question for written answer E-003689/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Labour rights concerns in the negotiations on the free trade agreement with Indonesia

The International Labour Organization's Committee on the Application of Standards has examined and adopted conclusions on Indonesia's controversial Omnibus Law for Job Creation. Its report identified several shortcomings and asked for the law to be reviewed and amended, jointly with social partners, in order to seek alignment with core ILO standards. However, the Indonesian High Court has recently rejected petitions challenging the Omnibus Law for Job Creation.

In this context the following questions arise:

1. Is the Commission aware of the Omnibus Law for Job Creation and its negative impact on core ILO Conventions? If so, how does this affect the negotiations of the trade agreement with Indonesia, especially against the backdrop of a trade and sustainable development (TSD) chapter?
2. Has the Commission raised this subject with Indonesia in the framework of the trade negotiations?
3. How will the Commission ensure that Indonesia complies with core ILO standards before entering into a trade agreement?

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