

**Question for written answer P-002450/2013  
to the Commission**  
Rule 117  
**Robert Sturdy (ECR)**

Subject: Request by Least Developed Countries for extension of deadline for implementing the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights

Can the Commission explain its position on the flexibility provided to the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) under the World Trade Organisation's Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) and share its views on the request made on 5 November 2012 by Haiti on behalf of the LDC Group to the WTO TRIPS Council for an extension of the deadline for TRIPS implementation until a member ceases to be a LDC?