

**Question for written answer P-004269/2015  
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Compulsory minimum wage for foreign companies transporting goods to and from Germany

On 1 January 2015, the German authorities brought into force a regulation which makes it compulsory for foreign carriers to pay their employees the German minimum wage. The French Government is planning to introduce similar measures.

Laws of this kind are clearly at odds with the EU principle of free movement of capital, persons and goods. What is more, they are a textbook example of German and French protectionism in favour of their own companies.

1. What action has the Commission already taken in this matter?
2. How does it plan to make sure that the EU principle of free movement of capital, persons and goods in the internal market is observed?
3. Has it asked the German Government to rescind these provisions, which are at odds with the fundamental principles underpinning the EU?