

**Question for written answer P-007271/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Grain-oriented electrical steel

In August 2014 the Commission initiated an investigation into the alleged dumping of exports of grain-oriented electrical steel (GOES) into the EU (Case number AD608).

While anti-dumping measures can be an important tool for protecting fair competition, concerns have been raised on this particular issue as to the collateral effects of placing tariffs on GOES without differentiating between regular products and high-end specialised products. European manufacturers cannot meet the demand for high-end GOES, and it therefore seems unlikely that tariffs will have any effect on demand for imported products in this range.

Has the Commission considered differentiating between the segments of the market?

If not, has it conducted an impact assessment on how this may affect transformer manufacturers, since GOES is sold almost exclusively as an input for transformer production?