

**Question for written answer E-014539/2015**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: European sales law

The absence of uniform rules concerning contracts, in particular sales contracts, constitutes a barrier to intra-Community trade, as many operators restrict their activities to their domestic markets because of differences in legislation between the various Member States.

In this context, a European sales law would be a useful tool for boosting consumer confidence, since it would lower obstacles to the expansion of businesses in other Member States; it would also reduce the cost of translation and legal advice.

In view of the above, will the Commission say:

1. Does it intend to use such a tool to regulate sales uniformly and at European level through rules of transparency and fairness, so as to avoid or reduce problems between consumers and businesses?
2. Does it consider this tool useful in overcoming problems arising due to differences in national laws in this area and in encouraging greater integration of the markets?