

Question for written answer E-015326/2015
to the Council
Rule 130
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Subject: Seeking a new approach with Russia to exports of agricultural products

According to an online publication¹ of 1 December 2015, Russia has announced that it is imposing an embargo on Turkish agricultural products. The Deputy Prime Minister, **Arkady Dvorkovich**, stated at a government meeting in Moscow that 'Russia will ban imports mainly of agricultural products - fruit and vegetables - from Turkey and may extend its sanctions if necessary to industrial goods.'

Given that France, Germany and possibly other countries will be participating in joint military operations with Russia against ISIS in Syria and in view of the major blow suffered by EU agricultural exports because of the embargo imposed on Russia, will the Council say whether it intends to review the sanctions and embargo policy towards Russia in the interests of Member States that export agricultural products?

¹ <http://www.news.gr/kosmos/evroph/article/246297/rosia-empargko-sta-toyrkika-agrotika-proionta.html>