Question for written answer E-015881/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Bart Staes (Verts/ALE)

Subject: Commission investigation (Case No 39824) into trucks cartel

In January 2011, the Commission confirmed that it had launched an investigation (Case No 39824) and carried out unannounced inspections on the premises of a number of truck manufacturing companies (MEMO/11/29) suspected of fundamental 'antitrust' infringements in the form of cartels and restrictive business practices and/or abuse of a dominant market position (Articles 101 and 102 respectively of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union).

In October 2014, it announced that it had sent a statement of objections to a number of producers of heavy and medium-duty commercial vehicles suspected by it of participation in a cartel (IP/14/2002) and price coordination within the European Economic Area (EEA), thereby infringing Article 101 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU and Article 53 of the Agreement on the EEA.

- 1. What stage has been reached by the investigation?
- 2. When can we expect a ruling from the Commission?

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