

**Question for written answer E-015800/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Legal guarantee for online purchases

Today, the Commission granted one of our long-standing requests, which is largely supported and promoted by consumer protection associations, by proposing to make the legal guarantee for goods purchased online valid for two years.

However:

1. By extending the legal guarantee to two years, is the Commission genuinely encouraging sustainable products?
2. Does it not call into question the additional protection offered, for instance, by Belgian law?
3. How does the Commission justify what seems, *a priori*, to be an absurd distinction between products purchased online and those purchased offline?