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to the Commission
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Subject: Goods produced using polluting technologies and then sold at a price that constitutes dumping

According to statistics from the World Steel Organisation (WSA), close on half of all the steel produced worldwide comes from China. The European market has been overrun with Chinese steel sold at a price which constitutes dumping, and this is having an adverse effect on the European steel industry.

One factor which exacerbates things for European producers is that Chinese steel makers are not subject to the same standards as their EU counterparts, meaning that Chinese steel is being produced at a lower cost price while also generating a high level of pollution.

What steps will the Commission take in respect of products that are entering the European market at prices which smack of dumping, are of a lower quality than European ones and are the result of highly polluting production processes?