Question for written answer E-015879/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso (PPE)

Subject: Internet protection for geographical indications for wine

Commissioner Malmström recently published the EU's new trade and investment strategy. However, the text makes no mention of the outlook with regard to geographical indications in the coming years. The wine sector considers it vital to develop measures to protect geographical indications on the Internet, since Internet pirates have been publishing false indications and weakening a sector whose online sales have been growing at a rate of 30% per year.

What action will the Commission take to strengthen Internet protection for geographical indications?

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