

Question for written answer E-016096/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
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Subject: Combating illegal fishing in the EU

Over the next few years, the EU will be allocating considerable funds to combating illegal fishing. This remains a problem for the sector in general and for small-scale fishermen, whose livelihoods are under threat from persistent illegal inshore fishing.

1. Are there any figures on the damage caused by illegal activities of this sort?
2. What steps is the Commission taking to help the Member States to combat illegal fishing?