

**Question for written answer E-014450/2015
to the Commission**
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Subject: Tackling social dumping in the transport industry

The transport industry continues to be plagued by social dumping. The European Cabotage Directive and the Directive on Posted Workers – which apply to drivers engaged in cabotage – are intended to prevent social dumping in the transport industry.

According to a report by the Commission on the state of the EU road transport market, the rules are hardly ever infringed, so there is virtually no social fraud.

But the police and labour inspectorate observe that compliance with the Cabotage Directive and thus with the Directive on Posted Workers is almost impossible to monitor, because transport workers are very mobile and the inspectorates are by no means always able to secure the requisite aids to inspection, so that few infringements can be detected.

A few minimal practical adjustments could improve matters here, particularly:

- further harmonisation of official work documents (inter alia compulsory information, form and language);
- the introduction of electronic work documents;
- adding driver information to national electronic registers and to the European Register of Road Transport Undertakings (ERRU) and allowing labour inspectorates access to these registers.

What view does the Commission take of these suggestions, and which of them will it pursue in order to make inspections more efficient, so that dumping can be tackled more effectively?