

**Question for written answer E-005582/2017
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Overhaul of the Posted Workers Directive

According to the General Directorate of Labour, there were 286 000 workers posted to France in 2015, accounting for 1% of the active population.

On 5 June 2015, seven Member States called for a revision of the 1996 Directive, a call which was immediately rejected by nine other Member States on the grounds that this would undermine the free movement of services.

In March 2016, the Commission presented a revised draft directive seeking in particular to limit the duration of postings abroad to two years instead of three, to ensure that posted workers are no longer only paid the minimum wage but also benefit from bonuses, to improve the fight against fraud... However, the attitude of the French President has delayed the compromise between the States which seemed to be taking shape.

Does the Commission believe that these measures are enough to remedy the terribly unfair competition that the very principle of the posting of workers constitutes for a number of Member States?