

**Question for written answer E-000068/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Unfair trade practices of Türkiye at the expense of Cyprus and the EU single market

As it does not recognise Cyprus, Türkiye prohibits the direct invoicing of its products to Cyprus, with the unavoidable result that they have to be imported to Cyprus through a third-party European partner, and are invoiced accordingly. The situation is particularly problematic, especially after Brexit, in the case of car imports from the UK, because cars in Cyprus are right-hand drive.

Apart from anything else, this unjustifiable inequality, due to unfair Turkish practices, violates the principles of competition and the free market, resulting in higher prices for Cypriot consumers compared to other Europeans, while Türkiye, in contrast, continues to enjoy preferential trade benefits from the EU, of which Cyprus is a member.

In view of the above:

1. What measures does the Commission intend to take to ensure that Türkiye's unfair trade practices do not create further inequalities in the European single market and that the principle of free trade between Member States will not be violated in future?
2. Would the Commission consider imposing sanctions on Türkiye for its above-mentioned refusal to invoice its products directly to Cyprus, a member of the EU, given that it continues to enjoy preferential trade benefits from the EU?

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