

**Question for written answer E-004409/2025  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
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**Subject:** European peach compote industry at risk of collapse due to unfair competition resulting from Chinese dumping

The Greek and European peach compote industries are threatened by imports from China (under CN 2008.70), which increased by 44 % in the period from 2020 to 2023 and amounted to 47 600 tonnes in the first four months of 2025 alone. With an average price of EUR 1.04/kg, or even EUR 0.80/kg in some regions, these imports are being sold at prices below the costs of Chinese producers themselves (EUR 0.95/kg to EUR 1.15/kg). This phenomenon is the result of a state-led dumping strategy, which includes subsidies, VAT refunds and low energy and labour costs.

European production costs (EUR 1.17/kg to EUR 1.27/kg) make it impossible to compete without making a loss. Employing 20 000 families and exporting 98 % of production, the sector is a mainstay of the Central Macedonian and European agri-food industry. Although institutional tools are available, the Commission has not imposed anti-dumping measures, as it has done for related products (mandarins, sweetcorn) with duties of up to EUR 531/tonne.

Can the Commission answer the following:

1. Does it intend to open a preliminary anti-dumping investigation into imports of Chinese compote (CN 2008.70) with the possibility of retroactive measures?
2. How will it ensure equal treatment with other agricultural sectors?
3. Will it consider updated tariffs and enhanced monitoring of imports to maintain the sustainability and self-reliance of the European canned fruit sector?

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