Question for written answer E-000899/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Jana Žitňanská (ECR)

Subject: Negative impact of endocrine disruptors

Endocrine disruptors are chemicals which interfere with the hormone system. These foreign substances are found in everyday products, and may lead to harmful effects on human beings and on nature. The increasing occurrence of reproductive, developmental, neurological or immune disorders raises further concerns about the major risks posed by these chemicals. According to recent studies, these risks are serious, especially during foetal and early postnatal development when organs and nervous systems are being created.

In September 2014, the Commission launched a public online consultation which was open until 16 January 2015. This should form the basis for a scientific definition of endocrine disruptors.

- 1. Following up on the public consultation, does the Commission intend to formulate new legislation on this topic, or will it use the results of the consultation just to change the existing legislation?
- 2. What are the next steps that the Commission intends to take to reduce the negative impact of endocrine disruptors?

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