

**Question for written answer E-000935/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
**Nessa Childers (S&D)**

Subject: Intellectual property and plain packaging

Does the Commission consider non-discriminatory plain packaging legislation – such as that applicable to cigarette packages – to be a form of acquisition of intellectual property, or that any claims to intellectual property rights may arise as a consequence of such legislation under present trade agreements or agreements it has a current mandate to negotiate?