

**Question for written answer E-001147/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Pollution in Europe

In a report on air quality in Europe, the European Environment Agency has revealed that 98% of urban residents have been exposed to higher levels of pollution than permitted.

Each year, pollution is responsible for more than 450 000 premature deaths in Europe and also has real economic consequences, the cost of which, according to the Environmental Commissioner, amounts to about EUR 940 000 million annually.

1. What is Commission's position on the findings of this report?
2. Does the Commission intend to take additional measures to reduce the environmental pollution to which the inhabitants of European cities are exposed?