

Question for written answer E-004894/2015
to the Commission
Rule 130
Siôn Simon (S&D)

Subject: Tampon tax

Tampons are an essential sanitary product that controls and manages menstruation. Without them, those who menstruate would have no way of pursuing a normal and flexible public or private life and would be at risk of jeopardising their health.

1. Does the Commission believe that the taxing of tampons is fair?
2. Does the Commission agree that taxing tampons reduces the affordability of an essential item?
3. Does the Commission recognise the potential health risks that this tax creates?