

**Question for written answer E-007478/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: GMO imports and public health

The authorisation of 17 GM crops by the Commission, without waiting for an agreement from the Council and the European Parliament on the proposed reform, is a serious event that raises legitimate doubts about the independence of the Commission in the face of the GMO producers lobby, which includes Monsanto, Dupont, BASF and Bayer.

The possibility of States, on an individual basis as proposed in the ongoing reform, prohibiting GMOs on their territory is an illusion, given the free movement of goods within the EU and the complexity of animal feed supply chains. Processed products obtained from the meat of animals fed with transgenic food will flood supermarket shelves across Europe, putting consumers in a very vulnerable position.

I would like to ask the Commission what guarantees consumers have on the quality of foods they eat in relation to the presence of GMOs. I would also like to ask, faced with the complexity and scale of the problem, what measures have been drawn up to strengthen control measures in relation to the composition of foods and their labelling.