

**Question for written answer E-007757/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Modernising the FTA between Mexico and the EU

The Trade Commissioner, Cecilia Malmström, yesterday announced plans for the European Union and Mexico to modernise their free trade agreement (FTA) from next autumn.

In light of this announcement, I would like to ask the Commission what advantages will be sought for economies and businesses on both sides of the Atlantic from this renewal of the agreement, and how is it intended to address the issue of respect for human rights?

Considering the controversy generated by negotiation of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) with the United States, will the mandate to negotiate with Mexico be public in nature and will the negotiations be carried out in a transparent manner?