

**Question for written answer E-013468/2015
to the Council**

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Subject: Scope of the international financial transaction tax (FTT)

In its answer to written question P-008945/2015, the Council kindly refers to points 26 to 31 of the Ecofin report to the European Council of 22 June.

However, these paragraphs, interesting as they are, have nothing to do with the subject of the question, namely whether the Council intends to tax derivatives under the FTT, an issue that, according to its press release of 9 December 2014, remains unresolved.

1. Can the Council say whether the issue of the taxation of derivatives has been resolved and, if so, to what effect?
2. Given that the Council states that it cannot anticipate the duration or outcome of the ongoing negotiations, can it say what unresolved issues, in addition to the aforementioned, are keeping negotiations open?
3. In the interests of transparency and accountability, can the Council say which country or countries do not endorse the most recent proposal of the Presidency?