Question for written answer E-007808/2017 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Increase in cases of food poisoning

It was recently reported that there has been an increase in the number of infections caused by eating tainted food. The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control has detected a rise in cases of salmonella across Europe, with the number of cases in Spain doubling between 2012 and 2016. A quarter of a million cases of campylobacteriosis were detected last year, and Spain has seen a threefold rise in cases during the past five years.

To what does the Commission attribute the increased number of cases of these diseases? What action is being taken to combat them, and what steps are planned with the aim of reducing their impact? What strategies is the Commission adopting or planning to adopt to combat resistance to the antibiotics used to fight these diseases?

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