

**Question for written answer E-001730/2019
to the Commission**
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Subject: Consequences of Brexit on the internal market

The United Kingdom's (possible) withdrawal from the European Union is covered daily by Spanish media. Tensions are rising between London and Brussels, with the possibility of a no-deal Brexit still on the table. The United Kingdom's withdrawal will have significant repercussions for the internal market as a whole. However, a hard Brexit could also jeopardise the fundamental principles of the single market.

The Commission has published information on the rules that the UK would apply to imports from the EU in the event of a hard Brexit. This is detailed information on duties and taxes that would apply to exports to a given country, and on import procedures and formalities to be carried out for customs clearance.

Given the uncertainty over the UK's eventual withdrawal:

1. How is the Commission intending to deal with this situation, and what means is it going to employ?
2. How will the Commission minimise the impact of the UK's withdrawal on the internal market?
3. Does it foresee a transition period?