

**Question for written answer E-002025/2019  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Extending eligibility for hazardous and unhealthy work allowance

The Greek anti-drug organisation (OKANA) is a self-governing private law entity operating under the supervision of the Ministry of Health and Social Solidarity with a staff of 150 (148 nurses and two assistants). In 2013, the Greek Government decided that they were not eligible for the hazardous and unhealthy work allowance, despite the fact that public health workers carrying out the same or similar tasks were receiving it.

Furthermore, the Greek Court of First Instance has ruled that their application for the allowance is substantiated and well founded. In view of this:

1. Can the Commission say whether disparities in pay for similar or identical work in an EU Member State are in line with EU legal principles?
2. Is the decision not to pay this allowance to OKANA staff part and parcel of the agreement negotiated between the Greek Government and the institutions?