

**Question for written answer E-003644/2016  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Toys contaminated with harmful substances

The 'Rapex' system received more than 2 000 complaints in 2015 alone, whilst information on the contamination by harmful substances of toys imported from third countries is increasingly alarming. A number of samples taken show the extensive presence of cadmium and chemical compounds that are harmful to the skin and the human body, to the detriment of children's health and EU toy companies, which must still continue to comply with production standards laid down by European legislation in force.

Does the Commission believe that the time has come to drastically increase the level of border controls on the entrance of toys that are harmful to the health of those who handle them and even the youngest of children?