

**Question for written answer E-003807/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Outbreak of a communicable disease at a school in Thessaloniki

Three cases of scabies, a highly contagious disease, have occurred at a special school in Kordelio, Thessaloniki, resulting in the suspension of classes and the temporary sealing of the school until the disinfection procedures and the treatment of pupils and teachers have been completed. It is a skin disease transmitted by overcrowding. As a result, children, pupils and those who often come into contact with them (preschoolers and teachers) are at high risk of being infected.

In view of this, will the Commission say:

1. What action has been taken in the framework of the Third Programme for the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020), entitled 'Health For Growth', in order to safeguard public health in EU Member States' schools?
2. To what extent have the EU funds provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 282/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 been taken up to serve the objectives of promoting health and preventing diseases, as specified in Article 3 of that Regulation?