Question for written answer E-003970/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Cindy Franssen (PPE)

Subject: Increased cancer risk from sunbeds

The number of melanoma skin cancers has doubled in just ten years. Scientific studies show that the use of sunbeds increases the risk of skin cancer by as much as 20 %, confirming that sunbeds are a public health risk and are entirely unsafe to use. Patient organisations have for years been warning of the danger of commercial sunbeds, calling for them to be banned.

- 1. Will the Commission take action to provide more comprehensive and effective protection from this harmful radiation under the 'EU Beating Cancer' programme to be launched by it later this year?
- 2. What specific measures will the Commission take to minimise risks to the public and, if necessary, restrict the commercial use of sunbeds?
- 3. Will the Commission take action to raise public awareness in the EU regarding the dangers of using sunbeds?