

**Question for written answer E-000033/2021/rev.1  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Parliamentary question on reuse of materials in the fast food business

The Commission has added a new circular economy action plan to the package of policies combating climate change to be pursued under the Green Deal. Under this plan, measures will be put in place throughout the whole of a product's life cycle to ensure materials are reused.

The plan concerns in particular the fast food giants. They admit that many of these materials finish up in general waste, confirming that while the materials used are suitable for recycling, the problem is their size, defeating the purpose of the reuse process as a result.

In addition to this, residue from reused materials often ends up in the final product, thereby creating a genuine health risk for consumers.

In light of this, can the Commission say:

1. On the basis of what data can the Commission rule out any transmission of the COVID-19 virus through reuse of materials for fast food establishments?
2. Has the Commission ever considered this issue?
3. Does the Commission have data that would rule out any danger to consumers through the re-use of materials for the purposes of spreading an epidemic or pandemic?