

**Question for written answer E-002682/2023
to the Commission**
Rule 138
Marcel de Graaff (NI)

Subject: Commissioner Frans Timmermans' generous severance pay

Commissioner Frans Timmermans will be benefitting from a generous European severance pay scheme following his voluntary early departure from the Commission¹.

1. Does the Commission not find it reprehensible, a waste of taxpayers' money and inappropriate at a time when many citizens are facing hard times, that Commissioner Frans Timmermans, following his voluntary early departure from the Commission (in order to campaign as leader of the PvdA-GroenLinks party for the forthcoming elections to the Netherlands Lower House), is to benefit from a generous European severance pay scheme?
2. Does the Commission take the view that Mr Timmermans should forgo his severance pay?
3. How much severance pay is Mr Timmermans set to receive per month, week, day and hour?

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¹ <https://www.ninefornews.nl/klimaatclown-frans-timmermans-maakt-zich-niet-populair-en-wie-gaat-dat-betalen-wij-natuurlijk/> ; <https://www.dagelijksestandaard.nl/politiek/ongelooflijk-op-geld-beluste-frans-timmermans-casht-in-op-eu-wachtgeldregeling-tijdens-de-verkiezingscampagne>