

**Question for written answer E-014440/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Link between meat consumption and cancer

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has recently defined certain products, particularly processed and red meat, as potentially carcinogenic.

The WHO itself admits that the tests used are not entirely exhaustive.

This news has had a negative impact on the consumption of all meat and meat products, not only on those considered potentially carcinogenic.

Can the Commission therefore:

- clarify the existing link between excessive consumption of the above-mentioned types of meat and the onset of disease;
- study a way of informing consumers properly on the differences between various meat products and their potential links to adverse effects on the human body.