

**Question for written answer E-015532/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: Food defence and TTIP

One of the topics of the negotiations on the TTIP between the EU and the USA is the harmonisation of rules on food safety and consumer protection.

The USA has already legislated on food safety, also covering the possibility of attacks from terrorists, dissatisfied workers or even competitors, through the Act to improve the ability of the United States to prevent, prepare for, and respond to bioterrorism and other public health emergencies (Bioterrorism Preparedness Act) in 2002 and the creation of the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, among other measures.

1. Is the Commission aware of these risks? Does the Commission intend to regulate this issue?
2. How is this issue being tackled during the TTIP negotiations by both parties?