

**Question for written answer E-015137/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Endocrine disrupters in TTIP

Research by OneWorld has revealed that, on 6 and 7 October, officials from the European Commission and the US environmental agency EPA met in Brussels to discuss endocrine disrupters in connection with the TTIP negotiations.¹ This was despite the fact that the Commission claims that endocrine disrupters are not negotiable within TTIP, and that the EP has also delivered an adverse opinion in resolution B8-1228/2015, adopted in plenary on 25 November 2015.

Why are EU officials wasting their time on a topic which is manifestly taboo?

The deadline for adopting criteria for endocrine disrupters expired in 2013. At the same time, an analysis by CIEL shows that the US government is not prepared to accept the EU's approach, which is more geared to protecting health.²

How will the Commission guarantee that the promised directive will not suffer under the influence of the TTIP negotiations?

¹ <http://www.oneworld.nl/groen/ttip-gesprekken-over-hormoonverstoorders>.

² http://www.ciel.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/TTIP_Leaked_29Sep2014.pdf.