

**Question for written answer E-002738/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Defective building blocks in Ireland

Several thousand homes in Ireland have suffered very serious damage due to defective construction products containing mica and pyrite. As an MEP, I have visited many affected sites in the north-west of Ireland, and along with multiple stakeholder groups in the region, believe this to be an issue that requires immediate action.

It is also important to note that the Commission has started an infringement procedure against Ireland for insufficient market surveillance (under the Construction Products Regulation¹).

In this context:

1. Is the Commission monitoring Ireland's response to the infringement process?
2. Can the Commission outline the available consumer rights for the defective products obviously sold to affected homeowners?
3. Does the Commission envisage the provision of resources to help Ireland meet EU construction product safety standards?

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¹ Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2011 laying down harmonised conditions for the marketing of construction products, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2011/305/oj>.