

Question for written answer E-003289/2025
to the Commission
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Subject: Failure of negotiations for global plastics treaty

August 2025 saw the sixth round of UN negotiations to deliver the first legally binding global treaty on plastic pollution conclude in Geneva with no agreement, owing to some oil- and gas-producing countries opposing the inclusion of limits on virgin plastic production. This roadblock jeopardises the possibility of adopting an ambitious treaty in 2025, which is in contrast with the EU's commitments on the circular economy, biodiversity, public health and climate leadership.

In view of this:

1. What is the Commission's assessment of the impact of this failure on the EU's strategy for combating plastic pollution and on the objectives of the European Green Deal?
2. What specific action will the Commission propose to both strengthen the EU's common position in upcoming rounds of negotiations and ensure that the future treaty includes effective limits on plastic production and on the use of harmful chemicals?
3. What action will the Commission take to ensure that the temporary failure of the negotiations does not slow progress towards achieving the EU's internal targets on plastic reduction and on the transition to a circular economy, as well as on pollution and the climate?

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