

**Question for written answer E-008369/2014
to the Commission**
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Subject: Cuts to the CAP budget

The aims of the CAP 2014-2020 need to be matched by a corresponding budget. The Russian embargo has had a serious impact on farmers across Europe.

Many livestock and arable farmers in Romania are at risk of insolvency owing to the losses caused by the embargo, and this would have serious repercussions for the national agri-food market.

Cutting the CAP budget by EUR 447.9 million in order to finance other policies is a high penalty, and it is now being paid by farmers in the Member States.

How will the Commission ensure that the cuts to the budget for the CAP do not affect direct payments and do not impose fresh penalties that have to be paid by European farmers?