

**Question for written answer E-001349/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Griffon vultures

The griffon vulture (*Gyps fulvus*) is classified as an endangered species and is a unique phenomenon in the Kvarner islands in Croatia because it nests on sea cliffs, while in other countries it usually nests on high mountain cliffs and on the cliffs of river canyons. Griffon vultures from Kvarner migrate enormously in the first five years of life, going to very distant places in order to multiply. Few survive those hardest five years of life, and almost 90 % perish as on the way to their destination they starve and die of hunger due to the fact that they do not find feeding places.

1. What is the Commission planning to do when it comes to protecting this population that must be correctly scientifically evaluated and saved from extinction because it is unique for the EU?
2. Can the Commission help to create a 'corridor' that would form a chain of feeding places ('vulture restaurants') along the Dinarids enabling these unique birds to find enough food in their migrations between Kvarner, Greece and the Alps and thus increase their survival rate?