

**Question for written answer E-002763/2015
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Lynx Lynx Balcanicus

A very rare wild cat that lives in the western part of the Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) and the eastern part of the Republic of Albania, known in Latin as Lynx Lynx Balcanicus, is critically endangered. According to available data, this animal population does not count more than fifty specimens.

I ask the Commission if there is a programme that can directly help rescue this very rare and extremely beautiful animal population in countries planning to join the European Union?