

**Question for written answer E-003962/2015  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Compensation for losses to fishermen caused by bottlenose dolphins

Fishermen in the south of Spain have expressed their concern at the losses they have been suffering for two years now thanks to the action of bottlenose dolphins on fish stocks. Their losses have increased over the past few months and are caused both by dolphins tearing nets and by their consumption of fish that have already been caught.

Does the Commission consider that a line of compensation might be opened out of the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund for the fishermen affected by this problem?