Question for written answer E-006230/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Ole Christensen (S&D)

Subject: Danish special status for salmonella in poultry meat

Denmark applied for special status for salmonella in poultry meat and eggs for consumption in 2007. It received this status for eggs for consumption in 2012. Denmark already fulfilled all of the conditions for similar special status for poultry meat at the beginning of 2013, as the Danish programmes for checking errors are the same as those in Sweden and Finland and no salmonella was found in meat produced in Denmark. In spite of this, Denmark has still not been given special status.

In view of this, could the Commission state whether it agrees that Danish poultry meat fulfils the relevant criteria of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, implemented in the guideline SANCO/745/2008r6, and whether it intends to put forward a proposal for Danish special status for poultry meat.

If the Commission does not intend to put forward such a proposal, would it explain why?

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