

**Question for written answer P-000754/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Traceability of antibiotics and growth hormones in Canadian beef imports under the CETA

In connection with the opening of quotas for Canadian beef imports, Canada committed to setting up a dual production system so as to be able to export to the EU beef that does not contain hormones designed to stimulate growth in farm animals.

The EU must ensure, however, that the beef can be properly traced and that Canada complies with EU legislation forbidding the use of growth hormones in cattle.

1. How does the Commission intend to enforce the existing legislation on substances having a hormonal action (Directive 96/22/EC and Directive 2003/74/EC) in EU-Canada trade relations?
2. Will it take steps to ascertain whether the certification authorities in the exporting country, in this case Canada, can be relied on to ensure compliance with that legislation?