

WRITTEN QUESTION E-2381/00
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to the Commission

Subject: Mucilage in the Adriatic sea

What initiatives does the Commission intend to take to deal with the mucilage emergency in the Adriatic sea, a phenomenon which is damaging the operations of fishermen and tourist and business operators in the region?

How does it intend to protect the fishing world, which has already been hit by numerous problems such as expensive fuel, excessive penalties for violations of administrative rules and the fact that there has been no rationalisation of the fisheries sector legislation, resulting in a single text?

Does the Commission intend to implement emergency measures?

In addition, is the Commission aware of problems connected with the biological rest period, which should be implemented at various periods relating to the times of birth and growth of various types of fish in the Adriatic and no longer, as is currently the case, at inconsistent and random periods laid down by decree?

Finally, what part will the Commission play in the setting of criteria for the distribution of assistance for fishery products traders, in connection with the 1999 stoppage caused by the war?