Question for written answer E-002895/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 Fiona Hall (ALDE)

Subject: Directive 1999/22/EC on the keeping of wild animals in zoos

In response to other parliamentary questions regarding Directive 1999/22/EC on the keeping of wild animals in zoos, the Commission stated that 'it continues to monitor the implementation of the Directive and will examine any well founded and substantiated evidence that is brought to its attention in regard to failures of transposition or implementation of the Directive and, if necessary, legal action will be taken against the Member State not respecting the rules'.

Can the Commission confirm whether it has taken infringement proceedings against Member States for failing to meet the requirements of Directive 1999/22/EC?

What has the Commission done since the publication of the Born Free Foundation Report 'The EU Zoo Inquiry 2011' to ensure that zoo animals within the EU are being kept in satisfactory conditions?

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