

**Question for written answer E-000322/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Application of Article 10 of Directive 2010/63/EU

Article 10 of Directive 2010/63/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2010 on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes lays down that non-human primates used for research must be the offspring of two non-human primates which have themselves been raised in captivity, or at least come from a group which has been in contact with humans throughout its existence and which does not contain any animals sourced from the wild.

However, in the case of many primates exported by Mauritius to the European Union, at least one of their parents was taken from the wild.

Does the European Union authorise the importation of primates from Mauritius for research primates when one of the parents was born in the wild?

If so, how does that square with Article 10 of Directive 2010/63/EU?