

**Question for written answer E-003350/2018
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Export of live farm animals during high summer temperatures

On 28 June 2016 the Commission wrote to the Chief Veterinary Officers of all Member States recommending them not to authorise long journeys via the border between Turkey and the EU when forecasts indicate temperatures of above 30°C at the border.

On 26 April 2018 Commissioner Andriukaitis wrote to the Agriculture Ministers of all the Member States pointing out that many transports to Turkey are still authorised when forecast temperatures at the border are above 30°C. This a serious matter, as the Commission's 2017 report of a fact-finding mission carried out in Turkey¹ states that temperatures at the border had risen above 30°C on 80 and 96 days in 2015 and 2016 respectively, of which 33 and 34 days were above 35°C.

Will the Commission state which of the Member States that export live animals to Turkey have informed Commissioner Andriukaitis that they will follow his advice and not authorise journeys to Turkey when temperatures at the border are forecast to be above 30°C?

¹ (DG(SANTE) 2017-6110).