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to the Commission**

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Subject: Supporting the consumption of agricultural products in a direct farmer-consumer relationship

The promotion of high-quality, healthy and sustainable food is a goal and a challenge for Europe, closely linked to EU and Member State contributions aimed at maintaining agricultural land and natural resources, involving local authorities in promoting local products, avoiding food waste, and promoting new agricultural practices.

The goal in some Member States is that, by 2020, 50% of products promoted and sold should be local and organic, with a gradual reduction in the import of agricultural produce from these States, as well as improved access for city residents to fresh, high-quality products.

An example is the periodic organisation of local markets strictly for the purpose of direct sale by producers of their products to the consumer on the basis of pre-orders.

Can the Commission say how it intends to support such local administration projects and cooperation between urban and rural environments in peri-urban areas to develop places for the periodic sale of local and organic products?