

**Question for written answer E-006497/2018  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Advance of wolves in France

In December 2018, France's National Hunting and Wildlife Agency, the ONCFS, reported that wolves are once more gaining ground in France, with their number expected to pass the 500 mark after 2019, an annual growth rate of more than 16 %. Wolves are now established in the Mediterranean region and the Alps. While the presence of wolves may indeed contribute to the conservation and growth of biodiversity, they also cause losses for livestock farmers, who have to be compensated and supported.

Could the Commission give an update, therefore, both on the resources it has and those it places at the disposal of Member States in order to give farmers suffering losses as a result of wolf attacks better compensation and support?