

**Question for written answer E-000706/2019  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: EU support for farmers' pensions

On retirement, Cypriot farmers are failing to reap the just rewards for decades of exacting and strenuous labour.

Failure to support our farmers, whose tough and arduous working conditions are universally acknowledged, is resulting in a massive social injustice.

I believe that the EU should therefore provide additional financial support for Cypriot farmers and stockbreeders on their retirement in recognition of the hardships and problems inherent to their way of life, not to mention the massive burden of debt they are required to assume.

I consider that farmers are entitled to, and deserving of, a better deal in their old age.

In view of this, what action will the Commission take to support the steadily shrinking farming community in Cyprus?