Question for written answer E-003279/2019 to the Commission
Rule 138
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Subject: Current state of the Mar Menor lagoon in Murcia

Given that Murcia's regional government has delayed the approval of the management plan for seven years; that the complaint made by the Pact for the Mar Menor platform in 2016 before the European Parliament's Committee on Petitions has been ignored; that the law on urgent measures for the Mar Menor has not been respected and the public prosecution service launched an investigation into illegal discharges in October 2019 on account of the degradation fish stocks and death of thousands of fish in the lagoon; and ,finally, given that the environmental emergency and the very serious state of eutrophication of the ecosystem remain unresolved owing to a failure to respect the relevant directives, will the Commission say:

- 1. Does it envisage imposing any coercive measures and sanctions on regional authorities and administrations that allow the degradation of designated Natura 2000-Network areas?
- 2. In view of the publications regarding the current state of the Mar Menor, does it believe that the present European policy for the maintenance of habitats and ecosystems is fit for purpose?