

**Question for written answer E-004098/2019  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Livestock accident on the Black Sea and the protection of animals during transport within and outside the EU

Regarding the 14 000 sheep that drowned in a livestock accident on the Romanian coast in November 2019, the European Parliament adopted a resolution in February 2019 <sup>1</sup> that will have had serious repercussions on this dramatic event.

1. Is the Commission willing to develop a strategy to shift from live transport to a meat-and-carcasses-only trade, given the environmental, animal welfare and food safety impact of live animal transport?
2. Can the Commission explain how its services are promoting the transport of meat or carcasses instead of live animals to third countries?
3. Can it say what measures have been implemented to identify ports with adequate animal inspection facilities?

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<sup>1</sup> European Parliament resolution of 14 February 2019 on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport within and outside the EU (Texts adopted, P8\_TA(2019)0132).