Question for written answer E-003953/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Daniel Buda (PPE)

Subject: Romanian pork and bread imports and subsidy exports

Romania's food imports are constantly increasing, led by pork, to a value of EUR 700 million, followed by bread and other bakery products. As Romania's dependence on imports increases, its own pigmeat sector appears to be in irremediable decline as breeders struggle to get by.

Be that as it may, it does not explain why, despite its bumper cereal crops, bakery products are, paradoxically, Romania's second-largest food import. Basically, Romania is effectively exporting subsidies along with raw materials and importing products with a high added value.

What instruments does the Commission have at its disposal to remedy this paradoxical situation and what support could it provide for local producers in Romania to prevent them from going under for good?