Question for written answer E-006331/2020 to the Commission Rule 138 Harald Vilimsky (ID)

Subject: Subsidies for bullfighting in Spain

Inconsistencies remain under the new CAP, prompting fears that the breeding and rearing of bulls for bullfighting will continue to be subsidised, albeit by exploiting loopholes.

- 1. How much EU funding has been provided to date to support the breeding and rearing of bulls for bullfighting?
- 2. In so far as the breeding and rearing of bulls for bullfighting is now excluded under the new CAP, how can the Commission check that Spanish farmers do not use EU funds for that purpose, and does the Commission not agree that it would be of great interest to publish details of the use made of EU funds for Spanish farmers in order to ensure that the breeding and rearing of bulls for bullfighting is not subsidised?
- 3. Does the Commission not find it questionable that Spain has been working gradually since as long ago as 2010 to abolish bullfighting, but that the European Union has to date been indirectly funding it in part?